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SMUGGLED ARMS.

BIG SYNDICATE BROKEN UP.

NOW DISPERSED.

The story of the dispersing of
powerful Chinese arms smug-
gling syndicate operating in
land, Germany and Holland,
headquarters in Hongkong,
and in the annual report of the
ports and Exports Depart-
ment, just published.

the course of his report, Mr.
Lloyd, the Superintendent of
the Department, says: "As
result of the seizure of a
shipment of arms from Ger-
many, and the receipt sub-
sequently of information from
Holland Office, the operations
of powerful syndicate of Chinese
smugglers were brought to
an end. The syndicate had been
operating since 1922 at least, and
of the arms seized in 1923
traced to them. Five
persons were made, including a
man employed in the Official
Interpreter's Office. Two of these
persons absconded, forfeiting
their bail, three others were
traced from the Colony, there
being technical objections to the
use of the large amount of
force against them. The
syndicate was composed of Chi-
nese seamen's boarding house
operators in England, and
many and Holland with
quarters in Hongkong.
Several firms who supply Chi-
nese to shipping companies
were concerned, and one firm
did a stevedoring and
pradore business subsequently
traced. The syndicate handled
large sums, and must have
made very large profits during
the profit on a successful
operation being at least 500 per
cent. In all, the actual syndicate
amounted to 250 per cent, and
remainder being made by
individual members retailing the
arms in small quantities amongst
sailor acquaintances employ-
ing the coasting vessels plying
this port. The chief member
of the syndicate frequently acted
as Police Interpreter in London,
was connected with many of
Chinese drug dealers recently
traced in London. A large
number of raids were made, in
connection with the Police, and
as of documents collected,
examination of which proved
extremely laborious. A large
amount of information was
obtained which proved useful
to other administrations. The
members of the syndicate were
actively dispersed both here
and in Europe."

GERMAN ARMS.

The report also contains the
following interesting comment on
smuggling generally: "Seizures
of arms still remained high, but
origin was chiefly Germany.
Compared with 1923, the
number of arms seized of
A. manufacture was very
less. The Mauser
automatic pistol was the favourite
weapon. These were all second-
hand, and were imported chiefly
from Hamburg, but considerable
numbers were brought in by the
members of the Messageries Mar-
itimes liners. After the arrival
of every one of these ships
once was obtained that arms
had been smuggled in. The price
in Germany for a second-
hand Mauser pistol and 100
rounds of ammunition was from
£2.50 to £3.15 s. Much of the
ammunition for Mauser pistols
noticed to be of very recent
German manufacture."

UNIVERSAL COTTON STANDARD.

Washington, May 14.
It is understood that an agree-
ment for the use of universal
standards by the Liverpool
Association is practically
settled as the result of recent
discussions between the Liver-
pool Association and the United
States Department of Agriculture.
The American Service.

A PIECE OF PORK.

COOK SUMMONS KOWLOON LADY.

Mrs. V. Harris of No. 2 Patell
Villas, Kowloon, appeared before
Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kow-
loon Magistracy this morning,
to answer a summons taken out by
her cook for dismissing him with-
out notice and failing to pay him
one month's salary in lieu of
notice.

THE COOK'S STORY.

The complainant's case was
that on the 23rd April he was
told to purchase pork from the
Dairy Farm. When he returned
to the house, the mistress refused
to accept the pork and ordered
witness to change it. He took it
back to the Dairy Farm, but could
not exchange it for another piece.
On the 4th inst., witness was paid
his April wages, but the de-
fendant had deducted the price
of the pork. He was dismissed
the same day.

UNFIT FOR CONSUMPTION.

In evidence, Mrs. Harris said
that the defendant was first
engaged on the 17th February
on one month's trial. At the
beginning of March, she reduced
his pay by two dollars and said
she would give him a further
month's trial as he was not
capable of performing his duties.
The complainant agreed to the
deduction in his wages and
continued working till May,
when witness deducted a further
50 cents for a piece of pork
which the complainant bought
on the 23rd April. It was unfit
for consumption and after being
ordered to change it, the com-
plainant commenced to prepare
the same piece for dinner. When
he returned the pork when told
to, witness could not say,
but she was positive it was the
same piece as he bought earlier
in the day. On the 5th May,
after the boy said he would leave,
witness paid him \$2.50, but he
threw it on the back steps and
became abusive. After he left,
witness picked up the money
and returned to the house.

DEDUCTIONS ILLEGAL.

His Worship, remarking that
the practice of deducting a
servant's wages was very com-
mon but illegal, ordered the de-
fendant to pay the complainant
\$2.50 for work done in May and
the fifty cents which she deduc-
ted for the pork. His Worship
found that as the complainant was
engaged on trial, no notice was
necessary on either side.

OUR SUPREME COURT.

ITEMS FROM ANNUAL REPORT.

The report of the Registrar of
the Supreme Court for the year
1924, laid on the Council table
this afternoon, shows that in the
original jurisdiction of the Court
the debts and damages recovered
amounted to \$1,432,884, as against
\$1,550,436 the previous year. The
claims amounted to \$2,043,278.

The claims in summary juris-
diction amounted to \$607,632, as
against \$355,439 in 1923, and the
amounts recovered were \$267,291,
as against \$127,916 in 1923.

The number of rent distress
warrants issued was 685, repre-
senting unpaid rents amounting
to \$100,844, of which \$20,709 were
recovered, as against 467, \$62,709,
and \$14,610 respectively in 1923.

Fifteen petitions in bankruptcy
were filed, 5 being creditors' peti-
tions and 10 debtors' petitions.

On the 31st December there
were 505 companies on the Hong-
kong Register, of which 59 were
in course of liquidation. During
the year 97 new companies were
put on the Register and 30 struck
off. One company transferred
from Shanghai to the Hongkong
Register, and one company from
Hongkong to the Shanghai
Register.

The total sum collected during
the year by way of fees and com-
mission amounted to \$89,624.99 as
against \$69,955.20 in the previous
year.

PORT OF HONGKONG.

FIVE YEARS' SHIPPING.

A table appearing in the annual
report of the Harbour Master
shows that Hongkong continues
to forge ahead as a shipping port.
The tonnage figures have more
than doubled in the last twenty
years. From the table we take
the following tonnage figures for
the past five years:—

	Total	Ocean- going.
1920 ...	40,122,527	17,574,636
1921 ...	43,420,970	20,064,611
1922 ...	46,566,764	21,971,162
1923 ...	53,402,239	25,894,058
1924 ...	56,731,077	27,874,830

"THE FLAPPER WIFE."

NEW FOX-TROT FOR HONGKONG.

Not content with the furore
caused by the introduction of the
"Yes! We Have No Bananas"
fox trot and song, the last mail
from America brought the news
that another "hit" is to be in-
troduced entitled "The Flapper
Wife." It has been composed by
one of the best known song
writers in the States and seems
to be an inspiration from a serial
story of the same name which is
appearing in newspapers from
one end of Uncle Sam's country
to the other.

We haven't heard it yet, but
we are assured that the whole
world will be humming it soon!
Apparently our American cousins
are not content to bear it alone,
because copies of the song, to-
gether with the full musical score
for orchestra, have been sent all
over the world. Not only that,
but arrangements have been
made to broadcast the melody
everywhere. We have received
the score, and, not having an
orchestra of our own, have sent
it along to the Hongkong Hotel
management, which has decided
to take the responsibility of
setting Hongkong a-humming.
Rehearsals are already taking
place, and the Hotel orchestra
states that "The Flapper Wife"
is one of the best and most
"peppy" fox-trots it has ever
handled.

"The Flapper Wife" will first
be heard at a special dinner
dance in the Grill Room in cele-
bration of Empire Day, and in
case all the residents of Repulse
Bay Hotel are not there on that
occasion, they will "have it
brought home to them" at the
Repulse Bay White-tide, Carni-
val to take place on Saturday
the 30th inst.

The musical score of "The
Flapper Wife," written for piano
and voice, will appear in to-
morrow's Telegraph.

\$10 A LINE.

A Chance for All.

Starting on Monday,
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have an opportunity of
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erick Competition begins.

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sent in. You can make
as many attempts for each
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and there is no entrance
fee.

Read the rules, which
will appear with the first
Limerick on Monday.

OLD RESIDENTS.

TWENTY-SEVEN YEARS IN KOWLOON.

MR. AND MRS. PURVES LEAVE.

After 35 years' residence in the
Far East, no fewer than 27 of
which have been spent in Kow-
loon, Mr. D. A. Purves, accom-
panied by his wife, left for Home
on retirement to-day by the
Empress of Canada. Thus the
Colony, and Kowloon in particu-
lar, loses two of its oldest and
most respected residents.

After serving his apprenticeship
with the Fairfield Shipbuilding
and Engineering Company from
1883 to 1889, Mr. Purves sailed for
Hongkong in the Scottish Oriental
Steamship Company's s.s. Phra-
rang, arriving here in October,
1890. After a short period in the
service of this Company, he joined
the Indo-China Steam Navigation
Company, with whom he
remained until 1902, when he
took a position with the Hong-
kong and Whampoa Dock Com-
pany at Kowloon. After serving
this company for many years,
Mr. Purves joined the Green
Island Cement Company's
establishment at Macao, where he
remained for two years. He
then became associated with
Messrs. W. S. Bailey and Co.,



until 1921, when he started
business on his own account as a
consulting engineer and marine
surveyor, which concern is now
being carried on by Mr. W. Baxter,
formerly of the Kowloon Dock.
Apart from his business con-
nections, which naturally brought
him into contact with many
people, Mr. Purves has become
widely known because of the in-
terest he took in public affairs. He
has for many years been a member
of the Vestry of St. Andrew's
Church at Kowloon, and was one
of the original members of the
Committee of the Kowloon Re-
sidents' Association, of which
body he was President in 1923.

He was a keen Volunteer during
the war, being attached to the
Centre Section, whilst he has
for years been a prominent mem-
ber of the Kowloon Cricket Club
and in the early days of his
residence in the Colony he was
a particularly enthusiastic
cricket, tennis and bowls player.

By his kindly disposition and
generosity, Mr. Purves has won
many friends, who regret that
his long association with the
Colony is now terminated. No less
than her husband, Mrs. Purves
has been extremely popular during
her residence in the Colony. Their
marriage took place at the Union
Church, Hongkong, and they
celebrated their silver wedding
three years ago. It is a happy
circumstance that just prior to
their departure for Home, Mr.
and Mrs. Purves have become
grandparents. As indicative of
the high esteem in which they
are held, both Mr. and Mrs.
Purves have been the recipients
of several parting gifts, these
including a handsome silver tea
service from members of the
Kowloon Cricket Club to Mr.
Purves and to Mrs. Purves, a
beautiful gold and jade bracelet
as well as a gold and jade ring
from the ladies of Kowloon.

Naturally, after so lengthy a
residence in the Colony, Mr. and
Mrs. Purves have keenly felt the
sorrow of many personal friend-
ships caused by their retirement,
but they take with them the
sincerest wishes of all for very
many years of health, happiness
and prosperity in the Old
Country.

RENTS BILL.

"INCREASE JUSTIFIED."

It will be recalled that Mr.
Henry Humphreys, head of the
Humphreys Estate and Finance
Co., Ltd., informed a representa-
tive of the Telegraph who inter-
viewed him earlier in the year on
the subject of the Rents Ordina-
nce, that he considered the
restrictions were working un-
fairly, and that rents were not
high enough in view of the large
increase in land values and cost
of building and maintenance.

Seen to-day with regard to the
proposed new Ordinance, by
which rent restriction is to be
continued until June, 1926, with
a fifteen per cent increase of rent
permissible in the meantime, Mr.
Humphreys said he could express
his views on the matter in a few
words—in the absence of the
entire repeal of the restrictive
Ordinance, the allowance of a
fifteen per cent increase to land-
lords was absolutely just and
equitable.

Our interviewer suggested that
the new clause—whereby a land-
lord has to declare the standard
rent—when demanding his higher
rate—might lead to some revela-
tions as regards rents already
illegally raised, and perhaps to
some confusion, but Mr. Hum-
phreys said he was not in a position
to comment on this aspect of the
subject. So far as he knew,
rents had remained constant on
old type of property, and were
easily to be ascertained.

"TAI LEE" PIRACY.

A CANTON ARREST.

In connection with the piracy
of the s.s. Tai Lee in January,
1924, in which the Captain was
killed and a haul of money and
property was made by a gang of
pirates who were believed to have
received the co-operation of cer-
tain members of the crew in the
affair, Chinese soldiers have
rounded up at Whampoa
a seaman formerly employed on
board the vessel but who
disappeared immediately after
the piracy. He is now being
charged with being one of the
ringleaders of the piracy, and
negotiations are proceeding be-
tween the Hongkong and Canton
police authorities with a view to
a decision being reached as to
whether the man should be tried
in Canton or be returned to the
police here.

From enquiries made this morn-
ing, it would appear most likely
that the man will be retained for
trial in Canton.

THE GOVERNOR'S DEPARTURE.

ADDRESSES TO BE PRESENTED.

As far as present arrangements
go regarding the departure of His
Excellency the Governor, on the
25th of next month a reception
will be held at the City Hall,
when separate addresses will be
presented respectively by the
foreign and Chinese sections of
the population.

The address from the Chinese
inhabitants will take the form of
a satin scroll stretched on frames,
bearing embroidered Chinese
characters expressive of the senti-
ments of the community on whose
behalf the scroll is presented.

MEASLES.

BIG OUTBREAK IN JAPAN.

Tokyo, May 15.
A serious epidemic of measles is
reported in North-Eastern Japan.
There are several thousand
sufferers, and seventy fatalities
have been recorded.—Reuter.

THE PEAK TRAM.

WHEN STRATEGY IS NECESSARY.

We have received the following
letter for publication:—

Sir,—The silly little protest
raised by your correspondent
"First But Last" in last night's
Telegraph calls for passing com-
ment, possibly caustic, on the
unreasonable point of view which
he has brought forward. I speak
with complete understanding of
the question, because it has oc-
casionally been necessary for me
to go up to Kennedy Road Station
in order to catch the down car
and thus make sure of early
ascension topside.

Presumably your correspondent
has no sufficiently important mis-
sion in life to make it necessary
for him to hurry, and, as a result,
he is fortunate in being able to
calmly sit down and await his
turn when there happens to be a
crowd greatly in excess of the
limited tram accommodation.
You will notice that my profes-
sion does not make my vocation
exactly a sinecure, and there
are times when I cannot afford
to idle away five minutes,
much less stand about for an
indefinite period. In such cases
I employ the stratagem of taking
the tram from Kennedy Road,
and if I have the brains and
energy to do so, why shouldn't I?
The charge of being mean is
absurd.

Enclosing my card, and thank-
ing you for inserting this con-
fession.

Yours etc.

LAST BUT FIRST.

Hongkong, May 15th, 1925.

OUR TELEPHONES.

SCHEME APPROVED.

The local telephone question
will be advanced a stage further
at next Thursday's meeting of
the Legislative Council, when a
resolution will be brought for-
ward in regard to the scheme by
which a new local Company is
to be formed for the purpose of
taking over the existing system.

A meeting of the Committee of
the Hongkong General Chamber
of Commerce was held on Thurs-
day, at which, we understand,
general approval was given to
the resolution which is to come
forward at the Council meeting.

SHIPBUILDING.

BIG CONTRACT FOR BRITISH YARDS.

London, May 14.

As the result of prolonged
negotiations, a contract worth
£2,000,000 to construct eight re-
frigerator vessels for the Blue
Star Line has been awarded to
British yards.

Most influential Government
personalities are reputed to have
been working behind the scenes to
save the contract, which last week
seemed certain to go abroad owing
to the disparity in British and
foreign prices. It is understood
that the difference was adjusted
through the Blue Star granting a
slight preference to the British
builders, who quoted a sacrificial
price.—Reuter.

WHEN THE RICH WED.

SEQUEL TO POLICE SUMMONS.

New York, May 14.

Seventy-five detectives guarded
Miss Abby Rockefeller's residence
on the occasion of to-day's
marriage between her and the
lawyer Mr. David Milton.

The ceremony attracted thou-
sands of excited spectators.—
Reuter's American Service.
[The bride, one of the daughters
of Mr. John D. Rockefeller, Jr.,
met her husband when he was
briefed to defend her on a charge
of rash driving of car.]

SHOPS ROBBED.

JAPANESE DEALERS SUFFER.

CUSTOMERS SUSPECT

Several shops at Praya East
have been victimised lately, goods
being spirited away and the shop-
keepers not being able to detect
their losses until they came to
check the stock. In all cases
the thief or thieves appear to
have picked on Japanese shops
for their operations.

J. Watanabe's shop, at No. 60
Praya East, has reported the
theft of 27 pairs of chopsticks made
of ivory and valued by him at
\$30.

A haul coinciding with the
preceding one in value was
made from another shop at
No. 54 Praya East, bearing the
style of Horiuchi; whilst a third
shop kept by Hamanaka at No.
20 Praya East suffered a loss
amounting to \$28.60. In the last-
named case, the articles lost were
cloth belts, razors, knives, scissors
and cigarette holders.

It is believed that the thefts
were committed by persons who
came into the shops as customers,

ANOTHER ROBBERY.

AT EUROPEAN HOUSE.

A thief stole from Mr. Carr's
home, at No. 17, Magazine Gap
Road, on Wednesday evening, a
gold watch and a silver ash tray,
according to a report received by
the police yesterday.

The articles which are valued
at \$305, were left on a table in the
bedroom.

THIRTY PAGES.

GET TO-MORROW'S "TELEGRAPH."

To-morrow's issue of the Hong-
kong Telegraph will be a remark-
able ten-cents' worth. It will
comprise, altogether, no fewer
than thirty pages, including a
special 12-page Summer Motor-
ing Number, illustrated with
topical pictures and cartoons.

There will, of course, be the
ever-popular "Bulls and Innings,"
as well as the Feature
Section, containing illustrated
articles, ladies' page, radio
matter and current humour.
Local pictures will include photo-
graphs of the Royal Artillery
sports, Hongkong athletes leav-
ing for the Manila Olympiad, the
fine model of the new Cement
Works which is being sent to
Wembley, and snapshots of
Snodgrass and Honda, who re-
cently met in a tennis match here.
Besides all this, there will be
the music and words of the new
big fox-trot hit, "The Flapper
Wife," which is shortly to be
heard in Hongkong. Altogether,
to-morrow's Telegraph will be a
bumper issue.

BARRISTER'S WIGS.

Wigs, which the Free State
Bar Council are in favour of
retaining, came into fashion after
the Restoration. Lord Campbell
says that when certain young bar-
risters adopted the new fashion,
"the judges thought wigs so
coarse and that they would
not suffer young aspirants to
plead before them so attired.
Who would have supposed that
this grotesque ornament, fit only
for an African chief, would be
considered indispensable neces-
sary for the administration of
justice in the middle of the
nineteenth century?" Once wigs
were generally adopted by bar-
risters they stuck fast.

TO-DAY.

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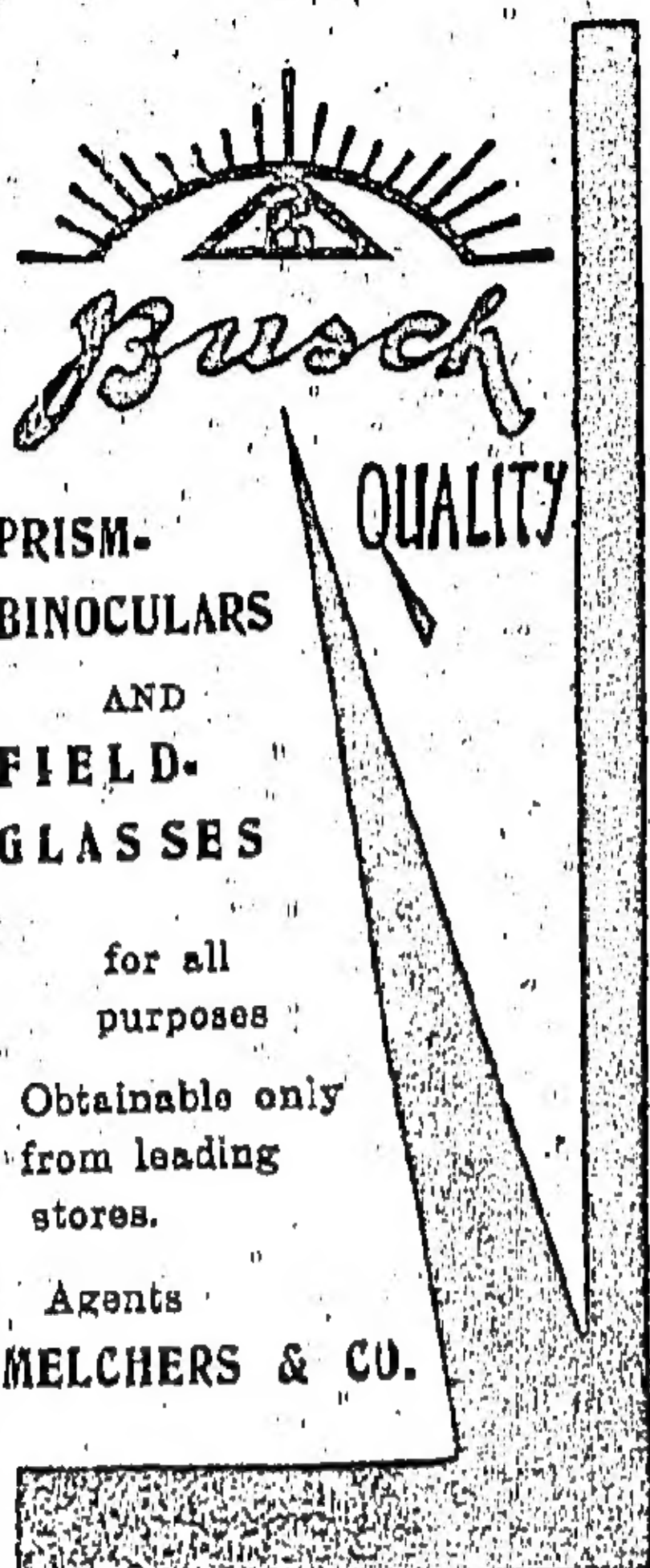
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EPIC OF EVEREST.

Some Tibetan Souvenirs.

At a lecture before the Royal Photographic Society on "Personal Reminiscences of the Everest Expedition," Mr. Arthur Percival, F.R.P.S., exhibited some curious souvenirs, including an engraved die used in the temples to stamp out clay images of Buddha for votive offerings, human thigh bones converted into trumpets,

and a devil-exorciser fashioned from two men's skulls. There was also an exhibit of Tibetan cheese made from yak's milk, sold in small dried squares as hard as wood, and threaded on string like a rosary.

A journey over the mountains to the famous monastery of Pamionchi produced a number of photographs of the "devil-dances" assisted there by the Lamas in weirdly-fashioned masks and grotesque costumes.

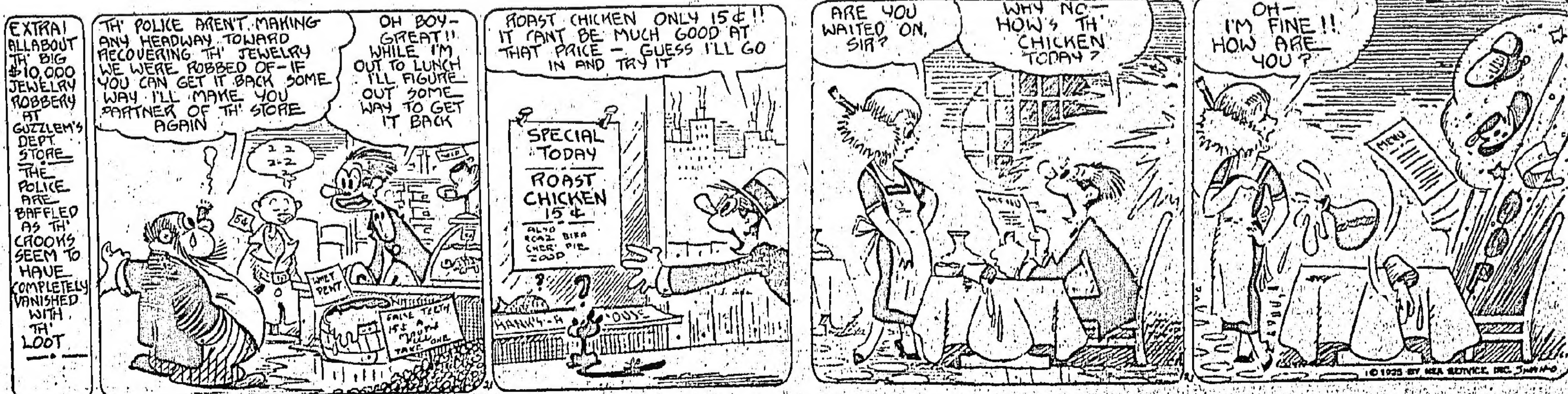
WHEN DARWIN WAS J.P.

A tablet inscribed with names of local justices of peace for the past 100 years unveiled by the Lord Lieutenant of Kent at Bromley Court recently. The names included Charles Darwin, the scientist, John Lubbock, Sir Edward Scott and the late Sir Everard Ham. Amongst J.P.'s present was Thomas Dewey. "Father of Bench," aged 87.

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HONGKONG LANDS.

REPORT OF THE LAND OFFICER FOR THE YEAR 1924.

There was a slight falling off in the amount of registration done as compared with the preceding year, which was an abnormal one, says the Hongkong Land Officer in his report for 1924. During the year 1924 six thousand (6,000) Deeds and Documents were registered under the provisions of Ordinance No. 1, of 1894 affecting seven thousand one hundred and nineteen (7,119) lots of land. The total consideration on sales, mortgages, surrenders and miscellaneous documents amounted to \$184,103,616.75, particulars of which are shown in Table I. The total number of documents registered in the Land Office under the provisions of the above mentioned Ordinance to the end of 1924 was 95,114. The number of Deeds registered each year for the last ten years is shown in Table III.

Grants of Land.—The total area of land granted on lease during the year was 418 acres 3 rods 8 11/20 poles, of which 410 acres 1 rod 36 4/5 poles was in respect of lands dealt with by the District Officers; the total area resumed was 294 acres 3 rods 14 1/2 poles; the excess of land granted over land resumed during the year was 123 acres 3 rods 34 1/20 poles. This is exclusive of quarries and lands let for short terms under temporary permits issued by the Public Works Department. Particulars of grants are shown on page W1 of the Blue Book for 1924.

Surrenders.—The outstanding feature in the work of the Land Office this year was the great increase in the number of surrenders carried through; five hundred and fourteen (514) lots or portions of lots including several large farm lots were surrendered to two million two hundred thousand public improvements, in respect of which sums amounting to two million two hundred thousand dollars passed through the hands of the Land Officer by way of compensation. The large area of the land resumed will, to a great extent, be set off at a later date by the issue of leases for lands which the Crown has agreed to grant in exchange.

Grants of Leases.

The number of Crown leases issued during the year was 90. The number of Crown leases issued each year during the last ten years is shown in the table, from which it will be seen that this year has fallen below many of its predecessors; this is due to pressure of work in other directions.

Year.	Deeds Registered.	Crown Leases Issued.
1915	2,154	166
1916	2,670	118
1917	2,524	136
1918	2,922	117
1919	3,021	114
1920	3,405	74
1921	4,466	84
1922	4,146	207
1923	6,837	209
1924	6,000	90

Fees.—The total amount of fees collected by stamps, exclusive of the New Territories, during the year was \$101,598.25 being \$22,032.76 less than the previous year. Land registration fees in the New Territories amounted to \$8,980.00 and Crown Lease fees to \$170.00.

The amounts of fees collected under the different headings for the years 1915 to 1924 are shown in Table IV, where it will be seen that, with the exception of last year, the total fees collected in 1924 is considerably in excess of the figure for any of the earlier years shown.

Stamp Duty.—Stamp Duty paid on registered documents exclusive of Probates and Letters of Administration amounted to \$934,748.35. Stamp Duty on Probates and Letters of Administration registered amounted to \$335,946.95.

Crown Rent Roll.

The Crown Rent Roll for Hongkong and Kowloon, and the Village Crown Rent Roll, were revised during the year. This is becoming an increasingly heavy task owing to the addition of a large number of lots, particularly in New Kowloon. The Village of Chai Wan, comprising 725 holdings, has been added to the Village Roll.

The total Crown Rent shown on the Roll of leased lands in Hongkong and Kowloon (excluding the Village entered in the Village Rent Roll) amounted for the year ending 25th December to \$573,395.34, an increase of \$24,318.87 on the preceding year. The net increase of lots appearing on the Roll was 158; these increases are mainly due to the grant of a large number of new lots in New Kowloon.

The total amount shown on the Village Rent Roll for the year ending 30th September was \$2,863.05, a decrease of \$282.20 on the previous year. This decrease is due mainly to resumptions at Hok Un, To Kwa Wan, Ma Tau Kok, Kau Pui Shek and other villages affected by the new laying out scheme now in progress, which involved the writing off of a larger sum than the increase caused by the addition of the village of Chai Wan mentioned above.

Documents.—The conveyancing work which is done in the Land Office has been steadily increasing of late years; the amount done during the year under review has been particularly heavy. The old system of granting formal licences for carrying on offensive trades has been superseded by a less formal and more rapid system of endorsement in cases recommended by the Sanitary Department.

Applications for extension of time for complying with building covenants have not been as numerous as they were a few years ago and agreements are dispensed with as often as possible; only twelve were prepared this year.

The procedure mentioned in the two foregoing paragraphs has afforded some relief, but work has increased enormously in other directions. A total of 1,665 documents were dealt with.

Naval and Military.—A small portion of the Naval Hospital Compound at Mt. Shadwell was transferred to the Colonial Government for the purpose of improving Wanchai Road.

The signal station at Cape D'Aguilar was transferred to the Colonial Government by the Admiralty. A Memorandum of the Transfer was in each case prepared and recorded here.

There were no dealings with land belonging to the War Department which necessitated any record here.

WORLD FLIGHT.

UNFORTUNATE ACCIDENT TO ZANNI.

Osaka, May 14.—Major Zanni's plane overturned while he was attempting to hop off about noon for Kasumigaura. Zanni and his two assistants are safe.—*Reuter.*

Italian Flyer's Progress.

Akyab, May 13.—Major De Pinedo has arrived here, on his world flight.—*Reuter.*

Singapore, May 14.—The Italian aviator, Major De Pinedo has arrived here.—*Reuter.*

DECLINE OF LACE.

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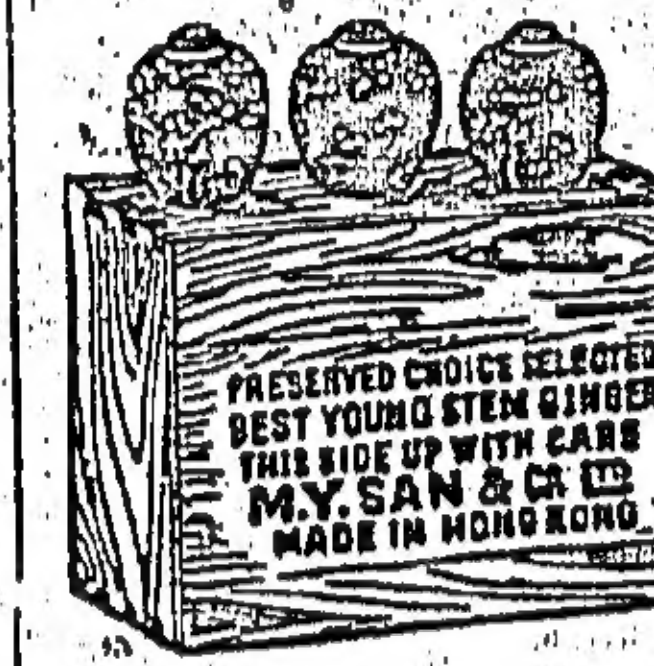
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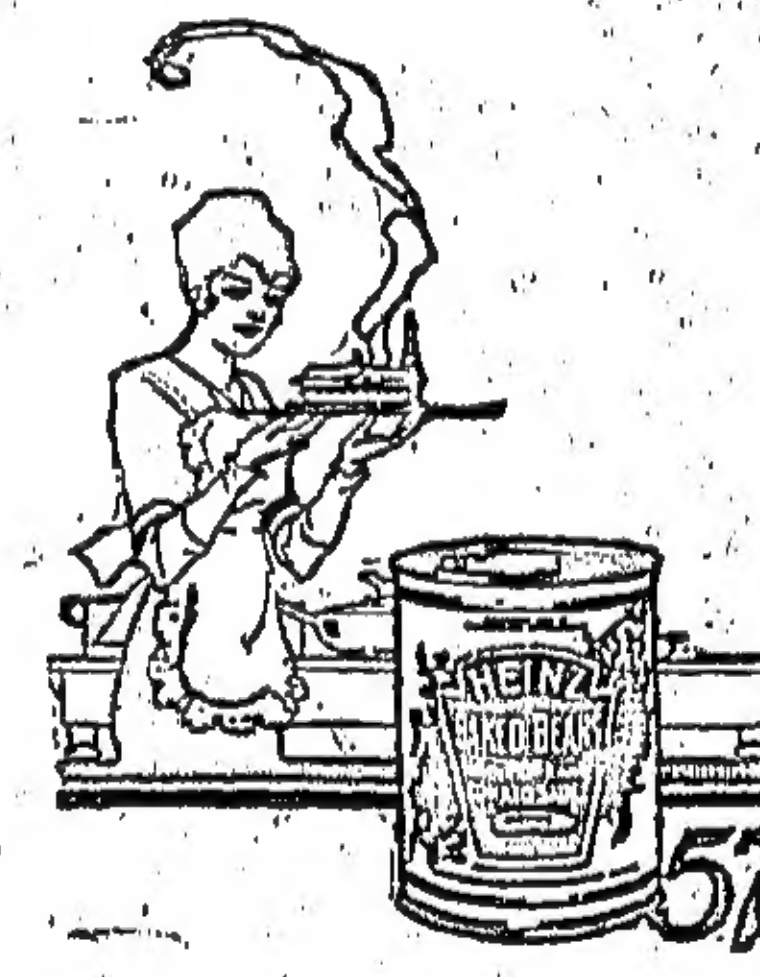
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Entries will close at 12 o'clock noon Saturday 16th May 1925.

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In the Matter of the Companies Ordinances, 1911, and of
THE HAUTO STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

(In Voluntary Liquidation).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a General Meeting of the above-named Company will be held at the Office of Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews, Chartered Bank Building, 3, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, on Wednesday, the 17th day of June, 1925, at 12 o'clock, noon, precisely, for the purpose of having the account of the Liquidator, showing the manner in which the winding up has been conducted and the property of the Company disposed of, laid before such meeting, and of hearing any explanation that may be given by the Liquidator, and to pass the following Extraordinary Resolution, viz:—

"That the Books, Accounts and Documents of the Company and of the Liquidator thereof be retained by the Liquidator, he undertaking to destroy the same at the expiration of five years from the dissolution of the Company."

Thos. H. G. Brayfield,
Liquidator.
Hongkong, May 15, 1925.

In the Matter of the Companies Ordinances, 1911, and of
THE BRISBANE STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

(In Voluntary Liquidation).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a General Meeting of the above-named Company will be held at the Office of the Liquidator, Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews, Chartered Bank Building, 3, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, on Wednesday, the 17th day of June, 1925, at 12.30 p.m. precisely, for the purpose of having the account of the Liquidator, showing the manner in which the winding up has been conducted and the property of the Company disposed of, laid before such meeting, and of hearing any explanation that may be given by the Liquidator, and to pass the following Extraordinary Resolution, viz:—

"That the Books, Accounts and Documents of the Company, and of the Liquidator thereof be retained by the Liquidator, he undertaking to destroy the same at the expiration of five years from the dissolution of the Company."

John Fleming, C. A.,
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Hongkong, May 15, 1925.

OFFICIAL NOTICE.

Proposal to Change a Ship's Name.

I, Lau Tak Po, of
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HEREBY GIVE NOTICE that in consequence of the present name being undesirable, I have applied to the Board of Trade, under Section 47 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, in respect of the ship "Nan" of Hongkong official number of gross tonnage 37.88 tons, register tonnage 26.76 tons, heretofore owned by Choa Po Sen of China Sugar Refinery, Hongkong, and Luk Yuen of 24, Connaught Road, 3rd floor, Hongkong, for the permission to change her name to "Chung Yuen" and to have registered in the new name at the port of Hongkong, as owned by Lau Tak Po.

Any objections to the proposed change of name must be sent to the Registrar of Shipping at Hongkong, within seven days from the appearance of this advertisement.

Dated at Hongkong, this 12th day of May, 1925.

LAU TAK PO.

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the above Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, Queen's Building, Victoria, Hongkong, on Monday the 18th day of May 1925, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, when the subjoined Resolutions will be proposed as Extraordinary Resolutions, viz:—

(1) That the Articles of Association of the Company be altered in manner following that is to say by the deletion of Article 17 and by the substitution thereof of the following Article namely:—

"17. So long as the 'issued capital of the Company shall not exceed \$6,000,000 no member shall be entitled to be registered as the holder of more than 3,000 shares of the Company. Should the issued capital of the Company be increased beyond \$6,000,000 the number of shares in respect of which a member shall be entitled to be registered shall be increased proportionately, but no member shall be entitled to be registered in respect of a fraction of a share."

(2) That the authorised Capital of the Company (which is now \$3,000,000 consisting of 60,000 shares of the nominal value of \$50 each the whole of which have been issued) be increased to \$10,000,000 by the creation of 140,000 additional shares of the nominal value of \$50 each ranking (subject as hereinafter mentioned) for dividend and in all other respects pari passu with the shares constituting the Company's present issued Capital.

(3) That 60,000 of the said 140,000 new shares be offered in the first instance (in the proportion of one new share for every old share held by them respectively) to the members of the Company who on the 10th day of June, 1925, are registered in the Company's Share Register as the holders of the said 60,000 old shares at a premium of \$10 per share.

(4) That the aforesaid offer be made to members by notice specifying the number of new shares to which a member is entitled. That a member whose registered address is situated in the Far East or his nominee shall pay for such new shares accepted by two instalments, i.e. one instalment of \$30 per new share to be paid on or before the 15th day of July, 1925, and a further instalment of \$30 per new share to be paid on or before the 15th day of October, 1925, and such member or his nominee who has not accepted and lodged with the Company's Bankers the first instalment due on such new shares on or before the 15th day of July, 1925, will be deemed to have declined. That a member whose registered address is situated outside the Far East or his nominee shall pay for such new shares accepted by two instalments, i.e., one instalment of \$30 per new share

to be paid on or before the 15th day of September, 1925, together with interest calculated at the rate of 6% per annum on the total amount then payable for the period from the 15th day of July, 1925, until the date of receipt of payment by the Company's Bankers and a further instalment of \$30 per new share to be paid on or before the 15th day of December, 1925, together with interest calculated at the rate of 6% per annum on the total amount then payable for the period from the 15th day of October, 1925, until the date of actual receipt of payment by the Company's Bankers and such member outside the Far East or his nominee who has not accepted and lodged with the Company's Bankers the first instalment due on such new shares on or before the 15th day of September, 1925, together with interest as aforesaid will be deemed to have declined. The Directors shall have the right to reject any nominee.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-SIXTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, Union Building, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, 29th May 1925, at 12.20 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1924, and of declaring Dividends etc.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from May 16th to May 29th, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
PAUL LAUDER,
General Manager.
Hongkong, May 8th 1925.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-SECOND ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at the Head Office, Union Building, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, 29th MAY, 1925, at Noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1924, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

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Hongkong, May 8th 1925.

NOTICE.

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M. F. BAPTISTA,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, May 14, 1925.

(5) That such of the said 60,000 new shares as shall be accepted by members both in and outside the Far East shall vis-a-vis the said 60,000 old shares rank for dividend as from the 15th day of July, 1925, to the extent of one half of the nominal value of such new shares and as from the 15th day of October, 1925, equally with the said 60,000 old shares.

(6) That any of the said 60,000 new shares which shall not be taken up by the Company's shareholders in manner aforesaid and the remaining 80,000 unissued new shares may be issued and disposed of in such manner at such time or times and upon such terms as to ranking for dividend and otherwise as the Company's Directors shall in their absolute discretion think fit.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY

ALSO GIVEN that a further Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at its Registered Office aforesaid on Tuesday the 2nd day of June, 1925, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of receiving a Report of the proceedings at the above mentioned meeting and confirming if thought fit as Special Resolutions the above mentioned Resolutions. The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Wednesday the 10th day of June, 1925, to Wednesday the 17th day of June, 1925 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

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By Order of the Board of Directors,
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By Order of the Board,
PAUL LAUDER,
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Hongkong, May 8th 1925.

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Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird: I will have cost altogether?

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The Director of Public Works

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The Chairman: This is for land portion—the approach etc. I do not think men ought to raise any question of the delay. You have had reports from time to time, you know the contractor has very well. It was not until had finished a certain piece of the work, that he began to confidence.

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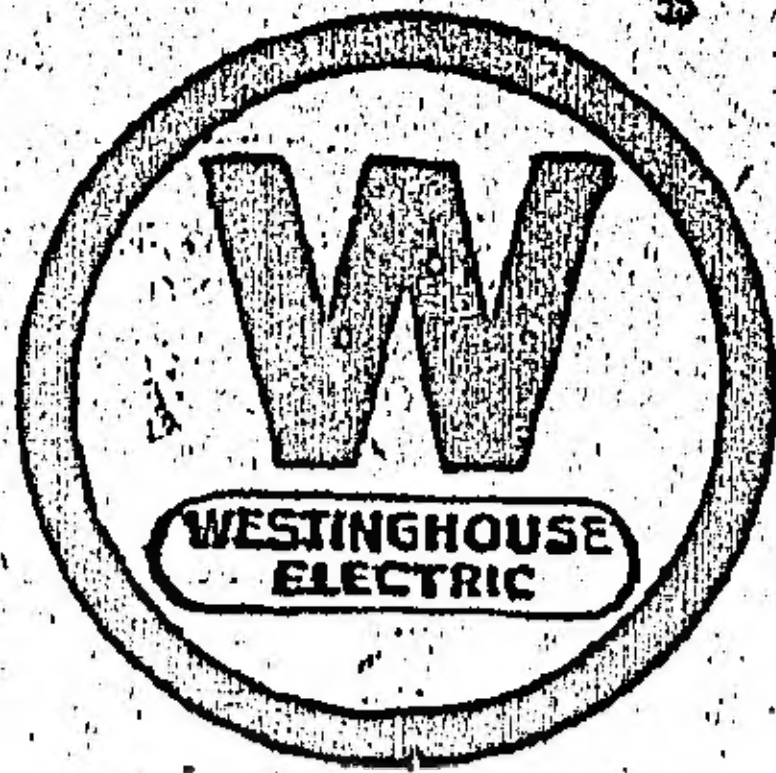
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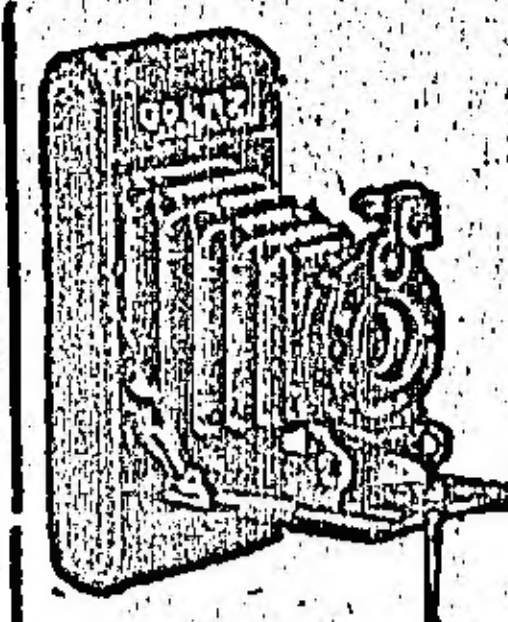
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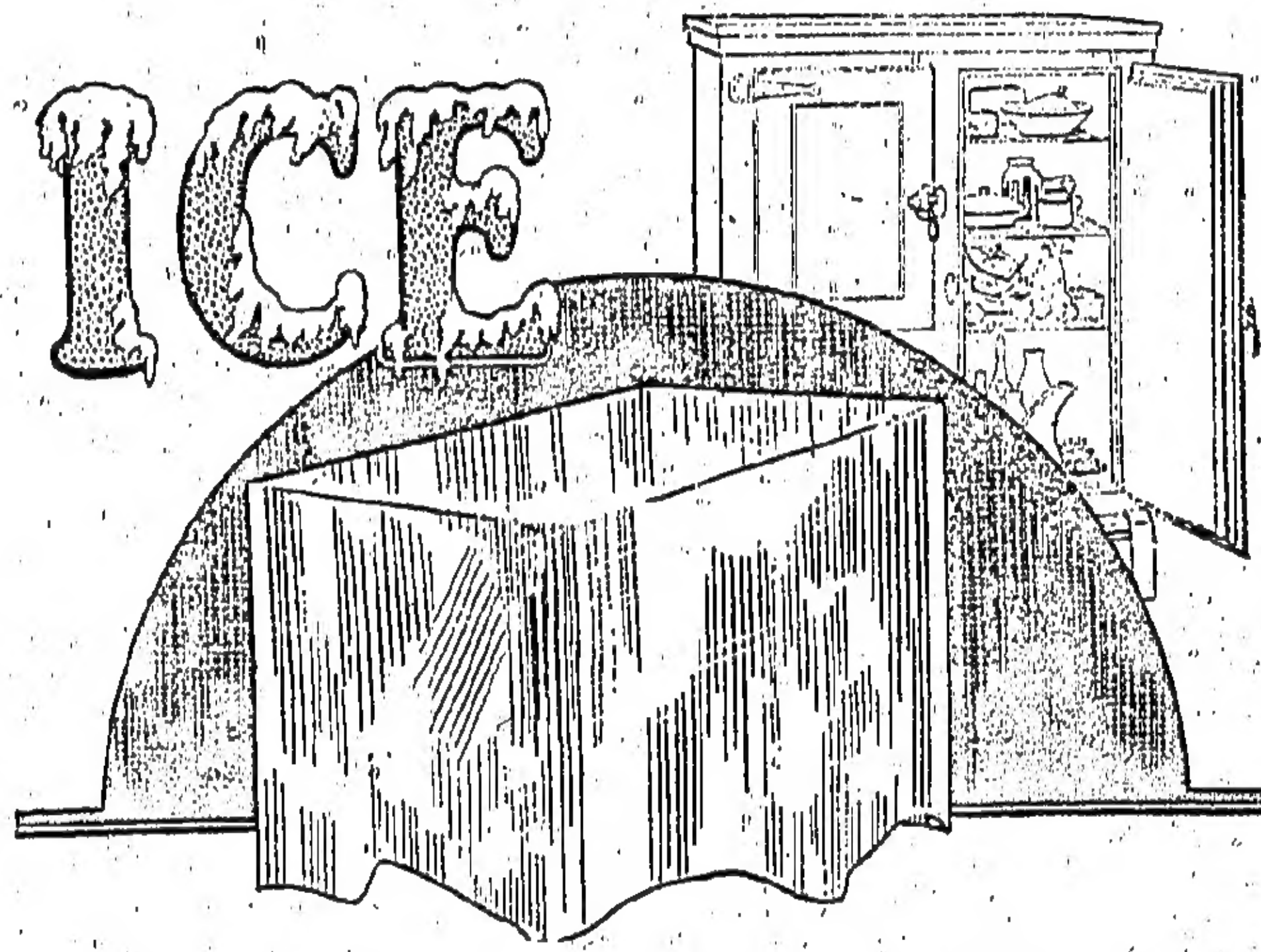
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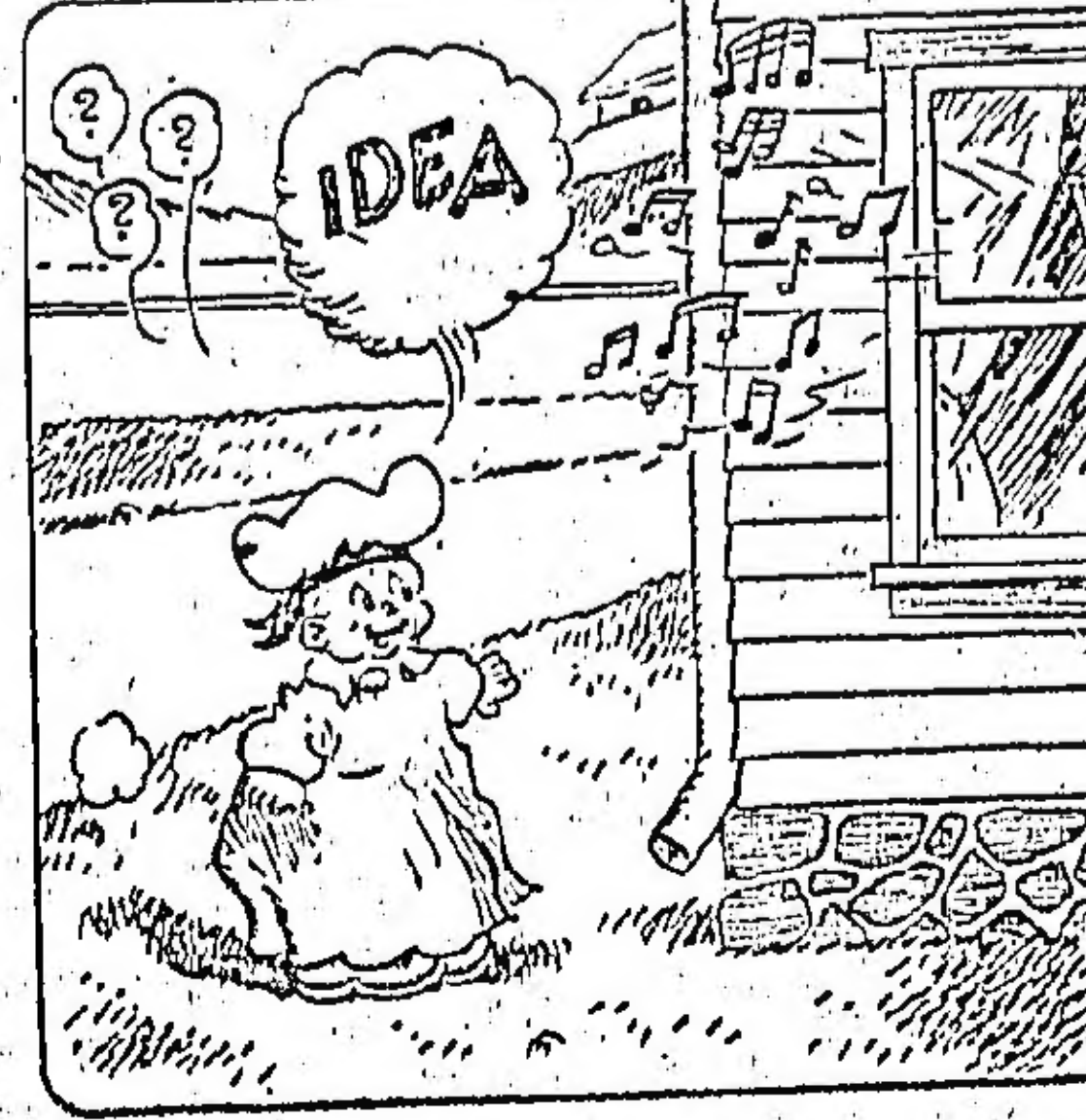
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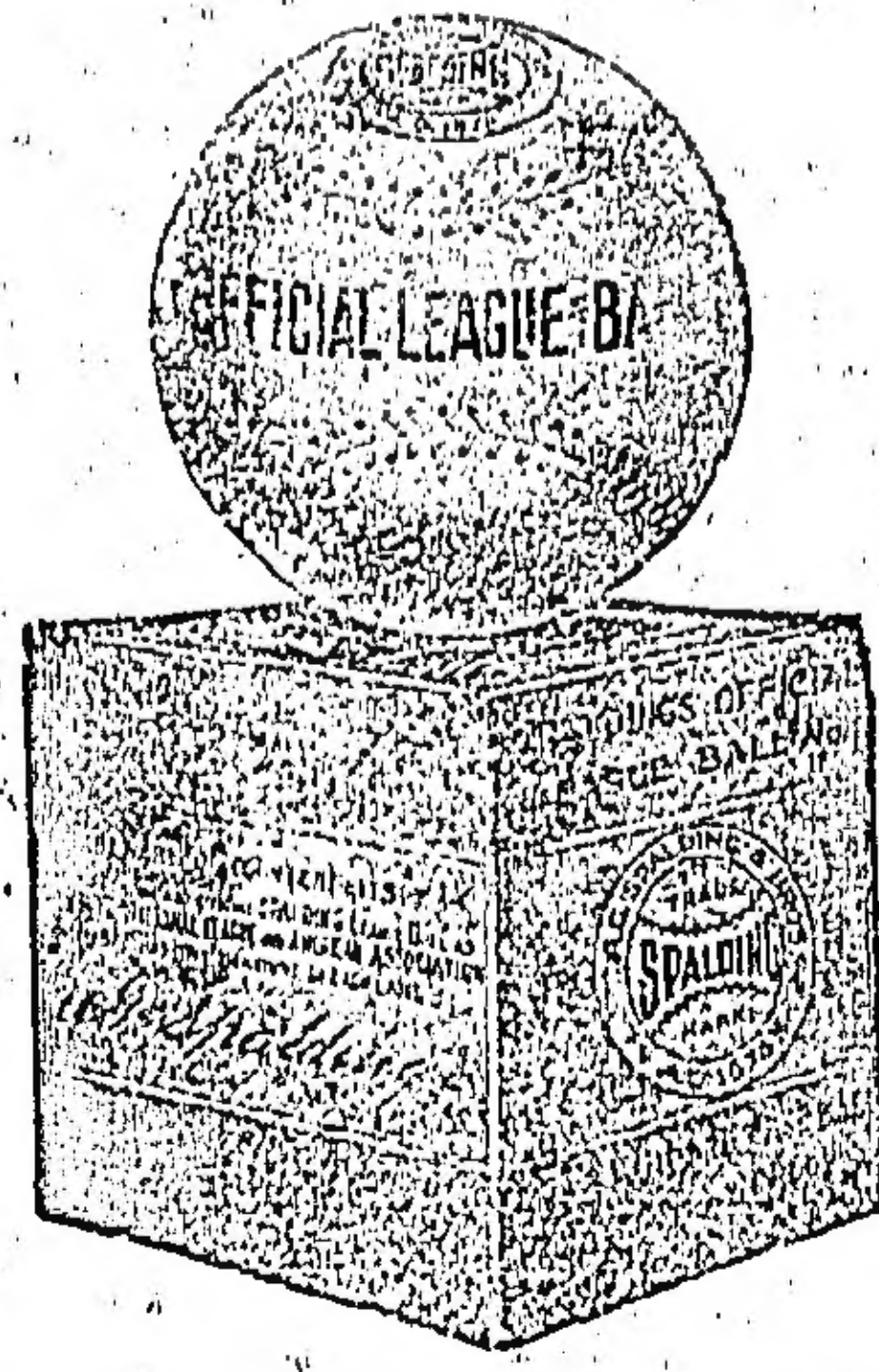
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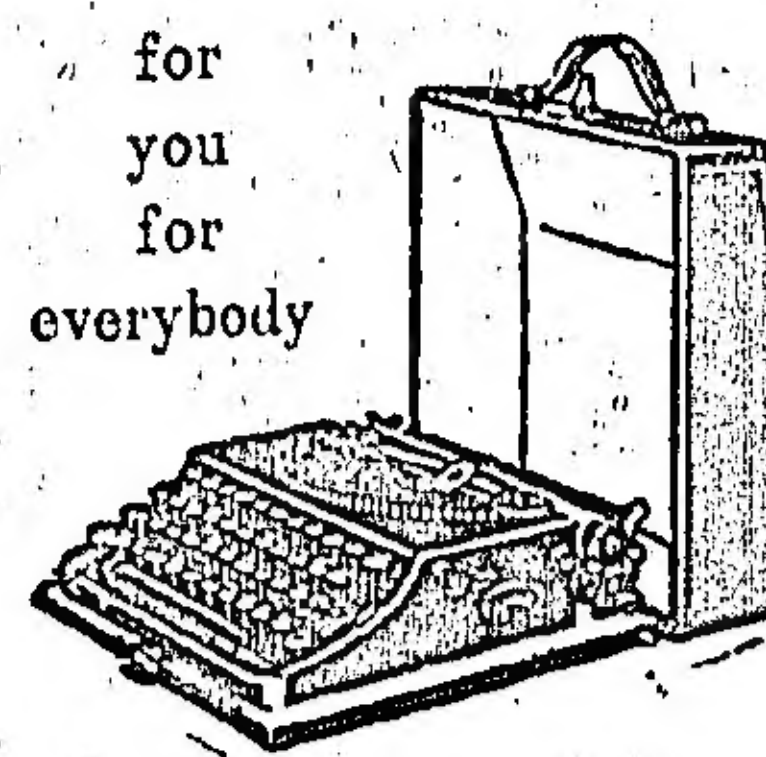
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DEATH.

MARTENS.—On the 8th May, Marie Ignaz Noronha (nee da Silva) beloved wife of F. Martens, at the General Hospital, Singapore, aged 36 years.

The Telegraph.

HONGKONG, 15th May, 1925.

THE RENT QUESTION.

In commenting on the rent question on Monday last, we suggested that it would be a good thing if arrangements could be devised whereby tenants who are liable to have their rentals increased under the new amending Ordinance could be informed of the legal standard rent of the premises they occupy. There is evidently a desire on the part of the authorities to meet this point, for in the suggested new Section of the amending Ordinance is a proposal that landlords must not only state in writing the exact percentage of increase which they intend making, but also supply tenants with a statement showing what the standard rental is. Any mis-statements under this latter heading will, if the new proposals are put into effect, involve the landlord in a fine and, in addition, mean that he will forfeit his rights to an increase.

In view of the fact that the amending Ordinance has been temporarily withdrawn, in order that the new Section may be re-drafted, we do not know at the moment whether the provisions above referred to will pass into law, but it does seem to us that some such scheme should be put into operation, if only to let tenants know precisely how they stand in relation to the increase of fifteen per cent. which is to be permitted on the renewal of the Ordinance. Unless a tenant knows the standard rent of the house which he is occupying, he will have no means of ascertaining whether or not the increase demanded is just and legal. In this connection, the authorities probably know that there are to-day many tenants of "protected" houses who are paying more than the standard rent. Some of these are aware of the fact, but they have been willing to bear the

extra rent rather than run the risk of being unable to find other premises or of incurring the landlord's disfavour. On the other hand, there are tenants who, because they do not know the old rent of the houses they live in, are unconsciously paying more than is legally due.

In the interests of both types of tenants referred to, some provision should be made for acquainting them with the facts, and unless some better means can be found of dealing with the point, we hope to see the suggested clause in the new Section of the Ordinance duly incorporated so as to become law. Only one point occurs to us which might be modified, and that is in relation to mis-statements on standard rents. Such mis-statements might conceivably be made, in all good faith, by a landlord. Perhaps this particular clause could be re-cast so as to make it clear that only intentional mis-statements are liable to incur the somewhat drastic penalties implied.

"Squeeze."

The manifesto issued by Chinese seamen complaining of the extortion to which they are subjected in obtaining jobs and in keeping them is a most interesting document. It is quite a refreshing change to find someone other than shipowners being blamed for the small amount of money which finds its way into the pockets of ships' crews. There is not a deal that is new in the facts disclosed in the manifesto, though it will probably come as a surprise to some people to know that the posts of head stewards, cooks etc. have to be paid for at the rate of some thousands of dollars each. We wonder how much ground there is for the assertion that if the crews received their wages in full they would not resort to smuggling? Be that as it may, there is admittedly much to criticize in the methods by which very substantial deductions are made from wages by contractors, employment contractors and others. We once heard of a shipping company which decided to pay each seaman personally his wages when due. The plan worked all right up to a point. That point was where the contractors stood outside the door and calmly relieved each member of the crew of part of his wages as he emerged from the pay-counter. These seamen issuing the manifesto are asking the companies to do a big thing—eliminate "squeeze." We shall believe that is possible in the East when we hear of it's having been accomplished—not before.

The Latest in California.

However much the general public outside the United States of America might sympathize with that country over its troubles in enforcing prohibition, it is impossible not to see the amusing side of the question. That a big business in illicitly imported liquor is flourishing, bringing fortunes to the several types of people in the game, is too well known to require further comment. Owing to the very large proportion of British ships on the high seas, and the undoubted leading position in the whiskey-distilling trade held by the British Isles, most of this illegal traffic is going on under the Union Jack, and the time must come when the British Government will be called upon to exercise some form of supervision over exports (as with dangerous drugs) which will eliminate the evil at its source. In the meantime, the world is presented with the humorous spectacle of a well-equipped fleet of "rum runners" operating off the comparatively unprotected Pacific coast following a strict campaign by prohibition agents on the Atlantic seaboard. California is now getting the benefit of large imports, and "booze" is now cheaper in that sunny region. But out of evil sometimes comes good, and it might be said of this case, for we read that "synthetic gin" has lost its clientele owing to the abundance of real Scotch whiskey. So in the meantime we can be sure that the Californians are spared the after effects which one would expect from wood alcohol and other poisons. However, the authorities will soon be getting busy with faster preventive fleets, and the inhabitants will eventually have to go back to the synthetic stuff—sad thought.

DAY BY DAY.

MERIT EXISTS WITHOUT HIGH POSITION, BUT NO ONE CAN REACH HIGH POSITION WITHOUT SOME MERIT.—La Rochefoucauld.

The American tennis players left for Shanghai by the Empress of Canada.

Yesterday's health return shows one Hungarian and one Chinese case of typhoid fever.

The gross revenue from harbour moorings last year was \$102,280 and the expenditure for upkeep was \$24,986.

Hongkong's revenue from liquor last year was \$1,229,262 (net); from tobacco, \$2,007,105 (net); and from opium \$5,224,303 (gross).

The Harbour Master's report shows that the upkeep of armed patrol launches for the prevention of piracy last year cost \$112,341.15.

H.E. the Governor has appointed Corporals A. H. Penn and E. J. R. Mitchell to be Second Lieutenants in the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps.

The local Consulate General for Japan sends us copies of the twenty-fourth issue of the "Financial and Economic Annual of Japan," a valuable publication issued by the Japanese Department of Finance.

At the Marine Court this morning two boatpeople were respectively fined \$5 and \$10 for lying inshore and for anchoring in the central fairway. The corresponding terms of imprisonment were five and ten days.

Sentence of two months' hard labour was imposed by Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning, on a young Chinese, for stealing a cash box from the cabin of Mr. J. Wallace, 2nd Engineer of the s.s. Takada.

Amongst the passengers who left to-day by the Empress of Canada were Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Purves, Mr. and Mrs. C. Pryce, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Hooper, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Rouse, Messrs. F. M. Crawford, G. Grimble, C. S. Gubbay, E. H. O'Farrell and Carl Shank.

While the silk industry has been seriously affected in recent months by the labour troubles arising out of the workers' demands for shorter hours and higher wages (says the *Canton Gazette*) bad weather and a severe spring have militated against the production of a satisfactory spring crop of raw silk.

Frederick Owen Richards, a Welsh miner, appeared on remand before Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning on a charge of stowing away from Manila by the Empress of Canada. He was committed to the House of Detention. His Worship told the defendant that he would be detained in the House of Detention, till such arrangement could be made by either the British Legion or the St. David's Society, to send him back to Wales or to find employment for him.

Yu Pah-hong, a wealthy foreign-dressed Chinese of the French Concession Shanghai, was sentenced by M. Crepin (Assessor) and Mr. Nish (Magistrate) at the French Mixed Court on Saturday to 15 years' imprisonment (and expulsion) for cruelty to children, whom he well knew were kidnapped, by compelling them to work from early in the morning to late in the evening in a prison-like room from which they were unable to escape, assaulting them and underfeeding them.

NEW FAR EAST MONTHLY.

"The Far Eastern Spectator," a new monthly journal devoted chiefly to subjects of interest in the East, made its debut at Shanghai early this year, and bids fair to obtain a wide circulation. The May issue, which is the fourth appearance, is a very interesting one, and contains reviews and notes on a diversity of subjects—commerce, politics, travel, education, hobbies, and so forth. There is a number of good illustrations with the text, which is in English and Chinese. The annual subscription, \$2, is very reasonable for such a readable magazine, which we observe takes as its slogan "Not too serious to be uninteresting."

PLAY AND PLAYERS.

WHAT PRICE O'CALLAGHAN NOW?

By "Wanderer."

Each day during the visit of the American stars, has given us better tennis, and in his match with Capt. O'H.D. O'Callaghan yesterday, Howard Kinsey went so far as to show us, in no uncertain manner, the distinction in class between tennis proper, and the standard maintained in the Colony. It was rather a shock to see one of our best exponents of the modern game so hopelessly overwhelmed, and the excuse cannot be put up that he was not at his best. The fact remains that his best was totally inadequate even to show that he was trying to make a match of it, though this reflects no discredit upon O'Callaghan. It was not to be expected that he would defeat America's No. 4, and when the selfsame No. 4 goes all out to finish the game quickly, the sun was terrifically hot, it follows that something is going to be doing. The doubles game, in which Snodgrass partnered Robert Kinsey against Ng Sze-kwo and Dr. R. E. Tottenham, was moderate in comparison, but the subsequent game that between Kinsey Brothers and Snodgrass and O'Callaghan was also productive of sterling play.

HOWARD KINSEY SERIOUS. Keen observers all along have noticed that Howard Kinsey is the one player of the three visitors who takes his tennis seriously, and maybe O'Callaghan realised that his opponent was unlikely to take things too easily. He began energetically and by occasionally varying his service obtained the first game comfortably enough. Howard Kinsey was merely setting down, and though he brought off a couple of good shots, he had not gained control of the ball and the second game also went in favour of the Britisher. Things hereabouts began to move and Kinsey made short work of O'Callaghan's service game. Twice he passed O'Callaghan with a powerful forehand drive, and always his shots were, possessed of kick. O'Callaghan played really well to take for the second time Howard's service. He manoeuvred him out of court and the put across an unreturnable ball.

The next game saw the beginning of the end. Driving with power and putting terrific cut on the balls, placing them to an inch and oftentimes right under O'Callaghan's nose, Kinsey was irresistible. Not a ball left his racket but it had speed and accuracy, and O'Callaghan must have felt that his opponent was merciless. He could do nothing with at least half the balls and his opponent not only finished off the set by taking the next five games, but he continued his deadly in play the second set, killing from all angles, and eventually ran out winner by 6-3, 6-0.

O'Callaghan was as clay in the hands of the American; all the counteracting spin he could impart to the ball invariably failed to carry it back over the net, and even when he managed to do so he had just as much difficulty in dealing with the return. It was not so much that Kinsey placed the ball where he was not as that the shots travelled with such speed that he failed to see them until too late.

LOCAL PAIR LOSE.

Ng Sze-kwo and Dr. Tottenham won the first game of the first set in their match with Snodgrass and Robert Kinsey, but for some four games following, metaphorically speaking, they scarcely caught a sight of the

ball. Snodgrass was putting every ounce of his weight behind his service and Robert Kinsey was smashing and driving much effect. The locals put a great struggle both play exceeding well, but the visitors went to 4-1 before mistakes Robert while Snodgrass was serving gave them another game. The American stars were more accurate in the following game and led 3-2, but for a while Tottenham and Ng Sze-kwo toyed with rare judgment as they pegged back a couple of games. They were out of luck with Snodgrass's service and the Americans took the game and had the locals been playing better a different tale might have been told of the second set but after Ng had won the first game, the visitors smashed the way through the next five, conceded the next after a struggle and then finished off the set at 6-2 clever placing.

ONE SET ALL.

Snodgrass has not play better than he did against Kinsey Brothers in the last game the visitors will play here. It showed form consistent with reputation in the States, and with the Kinseys also in a playful mood, a wonderful exhibition volleying rallies was seen O'Callaghan who partnered Snodgrass rendered much assistance with his tremendous smashes and clever placing.

The first game went seven times to deuce before Kinseys took the honours, by couples doing fine work. Howard Kinsey serving, the next was love game, and with Robert's great form, the brothers played brilliantly, went to 4-0. The first game went to Snodgrass and a local partner, the points being obtained by the medium of clever passing shots by Snodgrass and couple of unreturnable smashes by O'Callaghan. The Kinseys won the following game; in the next, and finished the set off at 6-2. It was a wonderful tennis, and the margin was greater than was perhaps justified by the play. A complete turnover in the second set levelled up the question for although Kinseys played little worse, the opponents improved considerably and won the set 6-2. Robert Kinsey had grown careless at this no doubt had much to do with the loss of the set. He comparatively easy shots go often when they happened to deciding points. Snodgrass was putting even more deuce into the ball and even Howard found it difficult to control. Pd—one and four-two were called and then O'Callaghan serving, and his partner took a love game and won the set by taking Robert Kinsey's service game.

Had Robert taken the game seriously in the second set might have been treated to even better tennis, though even things were there was perhaps little cause to grumble.

TO-MORROW'S SPORT.

It seems, comparatively, we have a rest from sports to-morrow the only fixtures being the Chinese Y.M.C.A. Sports at Happy Valley and, of course, the weekly bowls matches. The League fixtures to-morrow are as follows:

DIVISION I.

Taikoo R. C. v. Civil Service C. Kowloon B. G. C. v. Kowloon Dock R. C.

DIVISION II.

East Point R. C. v. Taikoo R. Police R. C. v. Indian R. C. Kowloon C. C. v. R. H. K. Y. C.

SUGAR KING'S WILL.

LOCAL SOLICITOR GIVES EVIDENCE.

Evidence was given on Chinese law and usage in relation to wills by Mr. S. W. Ts'o, a local solicitor, in the sugar planter's will case which entered on the fifth day of hearing this morning.

Mr. Ts'o agreed with plaintiff's counsel that it was unnecessary for the document to be attested. If any document purporting to be a will was in the testator's handwriting, it would be accepted as a legal document.

Cross-examined, Mr. Ts'o said that if any male member of

the family had been neglect in the will he could count it and in all probability village gentry, acting purely an advisory capacity, would advise that the estate should be distributed as the testator should have willed it.

Later he said that understood all along that deceased gentleman had property in Hongkong, but Mr. Potter objected to this going into the depositions as evidence.

Mr. Jenkin suggested that was entitled to get evidence from plaintiff's own witnesses as reputation, but his Lordship ruled against him.

The case is proceeding.

THEOSOPHY LECTURE.

"MEMORY OF PAST LIVES."

At the last Wednesday's public meeting of the Hongkong Lodge of the Theosophical Society a lecture was given on "Memory of Past Lives." The lecturer said in brief—

To-day the theory of physical evolution is beyond dispute, but so far science is only approaching the discovery of a correlative continuity of consciousness—a consciousness which passes unbroken from body to body, carrying with it an ever-increasing content, the accumulated harvest of innumerable experiences transmuted into capacities, into powers. We may find in our consciousness, in our intelligence and our emotional nature, distinct traces from the past which point to the evolution of our consciousness. There are memories justifying belief in previous existences, and pointing the way to a more intelligent understanding of human life. We, the living consciousnesses, pass from body to body, and each new body takes the impress made upon it by its tenant, the ever young and immortal spirit. At death we lose only the physical part of the body; meanwhile the life part of our nature, our feelings, our thoughts and spiritual aspirations remain. There are three stages of the life cycle. We lose the physical part of the body at death, and the desire part at a later period, and come to life in the mental body, in which all good thoughts and aspirations have their habitat. Into that, the lasting clothing of the immortal spirit, are woven all the pure result of experiences gathered in the lower worlds. The conscious memory of past events being present only in the spiritual body, the consciousness must be able to function in that higher in body order to "remember," and such functioning becomes possible through a system of training and disciplining—Yoga—which may be studied by anyone who has perseverance, and a certain amount of innate ability for this kind of work. But in addition to this there are many unconscious memories, manifesting in faculty, in emotion, in power, traces of the past imprinted on the present, and discoverable by observations on ourselves and others. Hence memories of the past may be clear and definite, obtained by the practice of Yoga, or unconscious but shown by results, and closely allied in many ways to what are called instincts.

Anyone who studies modern psychology will see how great a part unconscious memory plays in our lives. May we not regard instincts as memories buried in the sub-conscious, influencing our actions, determining our "choices"? Is not the moral instinct, conscience, a mass of interwoven memories of "past experiences" speaking to us when we are walking on well-trodden ways warning us of dangers experienced in the past, but allowing us to fall into pitfalls without warning, on ways hitherto unknown? Again, what is innate faculty but an unconscious memory of subjects mastered in the past? We see often that one person masters a given subject with extraordinary ease, meanwhile a second person by no means intellectually inferior is observed to be quite dense about it and keeps "little trace in his mind of it." Let us now take an altogether other class of memory. To some we feel strangely attracted, meanwhile to others we feel a strong repulsion. Many of us have had memories of that kind. A moment's thought shows us how such cases are explained from the standpoint of Reincarnation. We have met before, and have known each other before. It is either an ancient friend and comrade across the veil of the flesh, or an ancient enemy who wronged us bitterly or whom we have wronged. The soul warns us of danger, of peril, in contact with that ancient foe, and tries to drag away the unconscious body that does not recognize its enemy, the one whom the soul knows from past experience to be a peril in the present. A wise man obeys such attractions and such repulsions, as he is safer out of touch of that man against whom he feels repulsion. Our lack of realization of the fact that the intelligence of the child, its consciousness, is bringing with it the results of past knowledge, both along intellectual and moral lines, is a fatal blunder in education to-day. Education in these modern days is entirely a pouring-in, where it should be

21 YEARS AGO.

ITEMS FROM THE "TELEGRAPH" FILES.

There was not a great deal happening during the week ended May 14th, 1904, which period is covered by the following items based on news culled from the Telegraph files—

On May 10th, it is announced that a quoits tournament is shortly to take place at the Civil Service Cricket Club ground—a form of sport which has since died out locally.

Tennis tournament results appearing in the issue of May 11th show that in the Doubles Handicap, Messrs. Murphy and Boyd defeated Messrs. Craig and Holyoak; whilst in the A. Class Singles, Mr. P. Strickland beat Mr. H. Finckney.

Considerable uneasiness was caused in local banking circles on May 12th when it became known that the firm of "Tung Chan, Java sugar merchants, had been unable to respond to the demands of their creditors, particularly those in the Straits. The liabilities were estimated at one and a half million dollars, with assets between \$300,000 and \$400,000. Two European banks were interested to the extent of a lakh and \$150,000 respectively.

On May 13th, at a full parade of the Police Force, the Officer Administering the Government (Hon. Mr. F. H. May) presented to Sergeant M. O'Sullivan a gold watch, in accordance with a custom by which the police sergeant who had shown himself most proficient during the year was the recipient of such an honour from the Governor. Previous winners of the honour had been Sergeant Watt in 1902 and Sergeant Kent in 1903.

On May 13th, it is notified that the name of Dr. Charles Foreyth has been added to the list of medical practitioners.

VANISHING VILLAGE.

COMPENSATION BY GOVERNMENT.

The old Chinese village of Tsat Tse Mui, at North Point, is to be resumed by Government owing to its being in the area of extension of the Government quarry there, and also as a step towards the new layout of the district. After due consideration, it has been decided to compensate the villagers, to the extent of \$2 per square foot for land on the rent roll of the village and \$1.34 per foot for land held under a squatters' licence.

The amount required, \$62,500, was voted by the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council yesterday afternoon, after discussion. It was pointed out by the Colonial Secretary that there was no suitable land in the neighbourhood where the villagers could be given alternative accommodation. They were mostly employed in the quarry, and could move to Chinese tenements nearby. The income from the money they would be paid should be enough to live on. He did not think the payment excessive.

FOR MOTORISTS.

"TELEGRAPH" SUMMER NUMBER.

To-morrow's Telegraph will include a special twelve-page Summer Number of the weekly Motoring Supplement. Since its inception some eighteen months ago, this weekly feature dealing exclusively with matters pertaining to motoring, and which, incidentally, is the Official Organ of the Hongkong Automobile Association, has gained wide popularity in its aim of keeping Hongkong well abreast of progress and happenings in the automobile world. Interesting articles are regularly written for it by the R. A. C. and other London correspondents, while a pictorial service is also maintained.

To-morrow's big number will be but another indication of the paramount importance of the motor car industry to the Colony and outposts. Even non-motorists will find this special number entertaining and instructive, for in addition to technical matter there will be current humour as well as cartoons, both local and foreign.

drawing-out and therefore it largely fails in its object. When our teachers realize the fact of Reincarnation, when they see a child an entity with memories to be aroused and faculties to be drawn out, then we shall deal with the child as an individual which it is, and our education will then become individual.

HONGKONG'S TRADE POSITION.

CHINESE BANKS NOT RESPONSIBLE.

In view of complaints of hard times voiced at public meetings by Chinese merchants, with the assertion that native banks have taken advantage of the situation to exploit business men by charging high interest on loans, a reporter of this paper made enquiries both among bankers and merchants of substantial standing.

The allegation that banks have increased their scale of interest to an unprecedented level, the pressman was told, is absolutely unfounded. Never in the last decade has the money market of Hongkong displayed such a "loose" tone as at present, and that being the case it does not stand to reason that the banks can exploit the merchants. Like Shanghai, our information goes, the market has been remarkably free from serious stringencies during the last two years and loans can be had just for the asking, if the borrower is a man of reputable standing. The monthly interest at present ruling varies from 63 to 68 cents for every \$100 lent, and this is considered very reasonable in view of the fact that the bank holds no more solid security than promissory note.

As an illustration that the banks have assisted to promote legitimate trade as far as possible, a comparison made between interests on "promissory note" loans and loans with property security shows a difference of several per cent. That is to say, that whereas money borrowed under the promissory note basis is subject to monthly interest of 68 cents the rate in the case of loans with property as security is higher.

"It is distortion of fact to say that the banks have in any way been responsible for the trade slump," said the merchant. "The true position is that banks have lately shown unusual reserve in accepting property as security for loans fearing a property slump, and consequently difficulty might have been experienced by some business men in getting loans. But this does not apply to merchants of good standing, who have always been treated on a reasonable basis. To my mind the banks have not in the slightest degree hampered trade."

Letter From General Chamber.

The following further letter, from the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce to the Chinese Piece Goods Guild has been received for publication:

Hongkong, May 14, 1925.

The Chairman, Chinese Piece Goods Guild, Hongkong.

Dear Sir,—Your further letter of the 2nd May on the Piece Goods situation has had the very careful consideration of my committee who find themselves largely in agreement with your contentions, which go to show conclusively that the deplorable political situation in China is at the root of all the present trouble. Unfortunately neither Importers nor Dealers can do anything to alleviate conditions which are entirely outside their province.

My Committee can assure you that they have in no way failed to envisage or to fully appreciate the difficulties of the present situation, and both Dealers and Importers have their whole-hearted sympathy.

I am instructed to say, in reply to your contentions, that no erroneous impressions exist in the minds of my Committee regarding the evils attaching to the circulation of debased coinage, nor do they necessarily look for any material appreciation, permanent or otherwise—in the rates of exchange for China's depreciated currencies, but presumably dealers adjust their prices from time to time in accordance with rates ruling.

The fact that the Home markets have remained firm while the Sterling rate of exchange for the Dollar has declined is, as you point out, all to the good, and I think it is also undisputed that stocks in consuming markets, in the interior are very much depleted. Undoubtedly, therefore, the lack of demand from the interior is due to political strife and difficulty in transport, but my Committee cannot subscribe to your assumption that this state of affairs will continue indefinitely, and that all trade will ultimately be brought to a standstill. A certain amount of trade will continue to be carried on, and under the present adverse circumstances the present outtake

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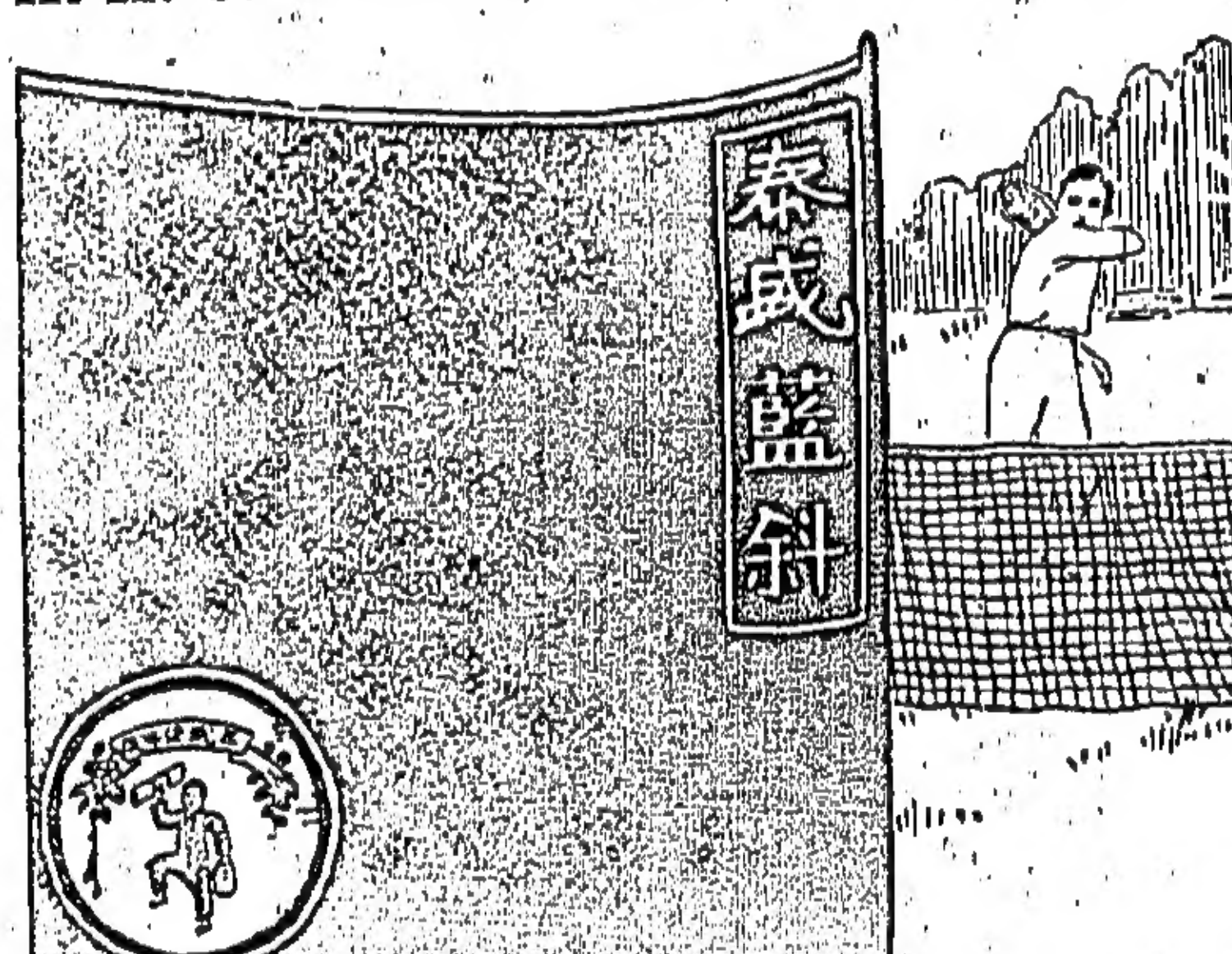
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In reply to the question in Part 5 of your letter, my Committee recommended that Importers should not unduly press Dealers to effect clearance of goods at due date, but assist them as far as possible, and consistent with the terms of their contracts, to carry any goods which it is found impossible to clear this season, until next. It is also hoped that Importers will not have to ask Dealers for margins on goods so carried, nor for payment

of interest or charges until the goods are actually delivered, thus freeing them from any immediate strain on their finances. My Committee trust that this will have the beneficial effect on the general tone of the market you anticipate, and prevent Dealers from making any unnecessary sacrifices.

My Committee regrets to learn that you have received complaints from Members of your Guild to the effect that the practice of holding Delivery Orders for summer goods in order to enforce clearance of winter cargo was still in vogue, but as this report was made two or three days before the date of your letter, it is quite possible that the occurrence was prior to this Chamber's recommendations reaching the hands of Importers. It will be readily understood, however, that my Chamber cannot do more than make recommendations to its members which, as promised in my first letter, has been done.—Yours faithfully,

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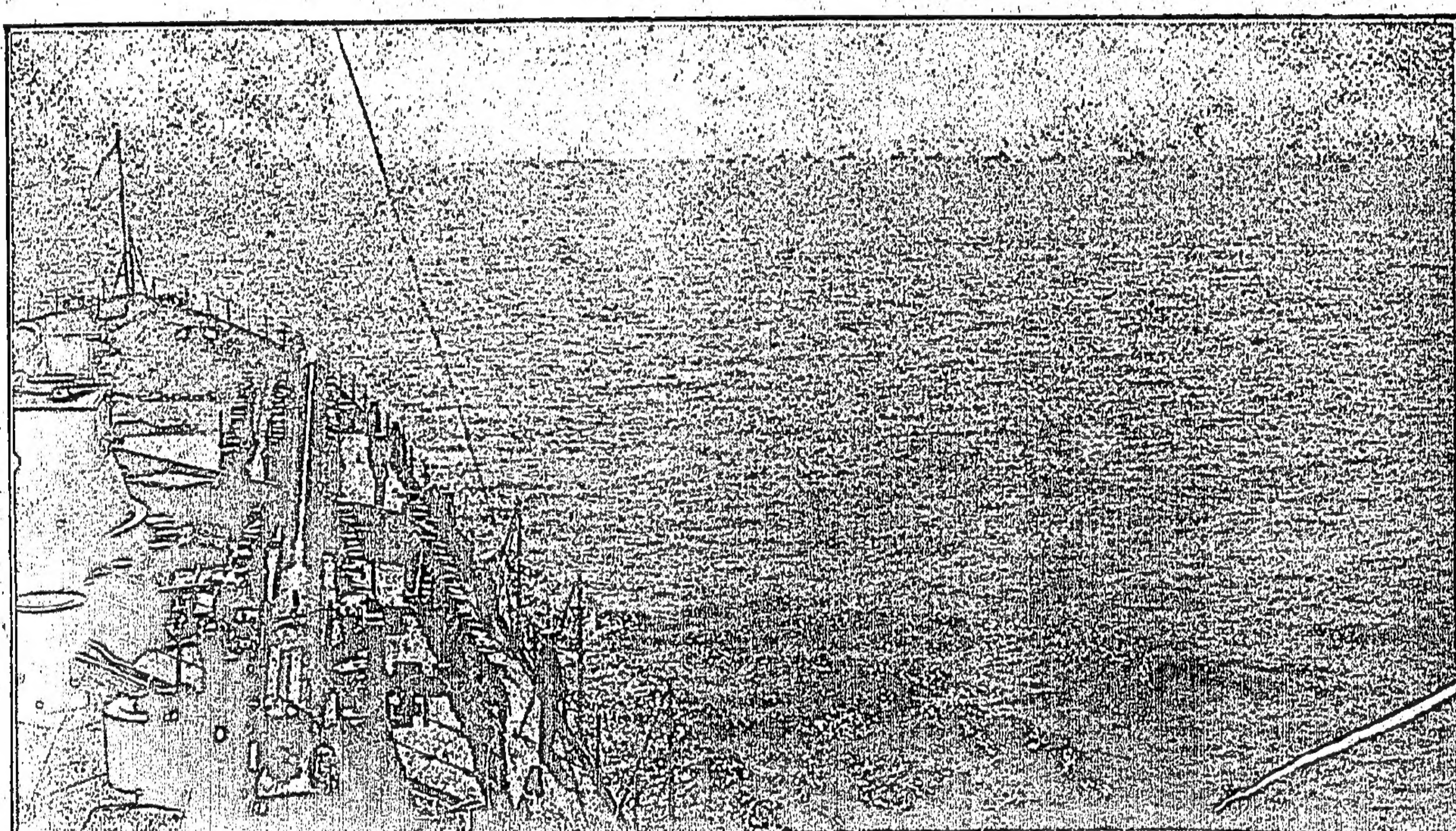
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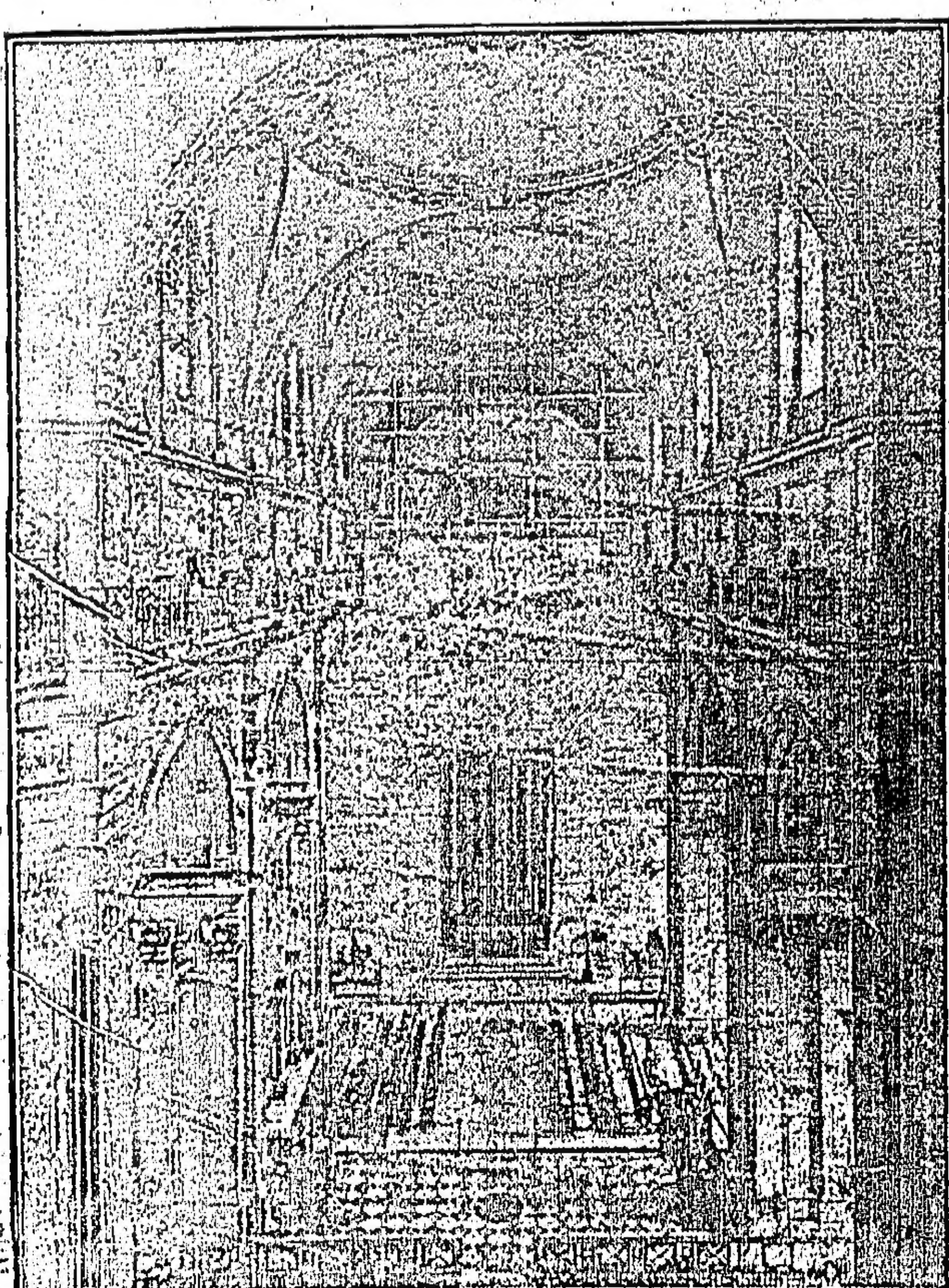
Patrick Cardinal Hayes watches the parade pass St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York. It was St. Patrick's Day parade, postponed to a later day when it rained heavily on March 17.

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A photograph taken on board H. M. S. Repulse in which the Prince of Wales travelled to Africa, as she passed between the two lines of warships of the Atlantic Fleet. A number of destroyers are seen in the distance. The Fleet was homeward bound from the combined exercises in the Mediterranean Sea and the course was changed to enable the Fleet to salute the Prince. The meeting occurred in the neighbourhood of Vigo. ("The Times" copyright photograph.)

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The temporary choir and altar which will be used at the services in St. Paul's Cathedral, London, during the reconstruction of the dome piers. The seating accommodation will be limited to about 1,500. ("The Times" copyright photograph.)

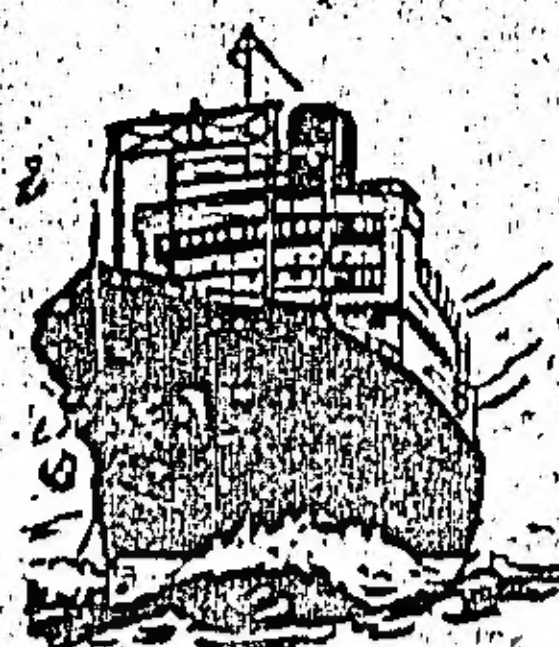
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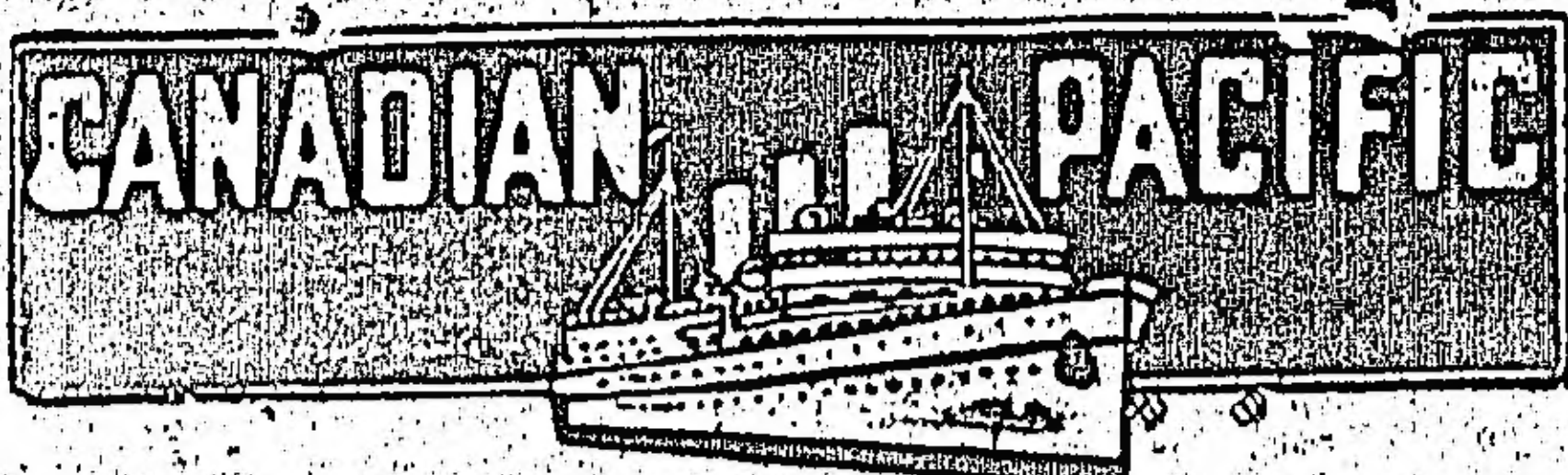
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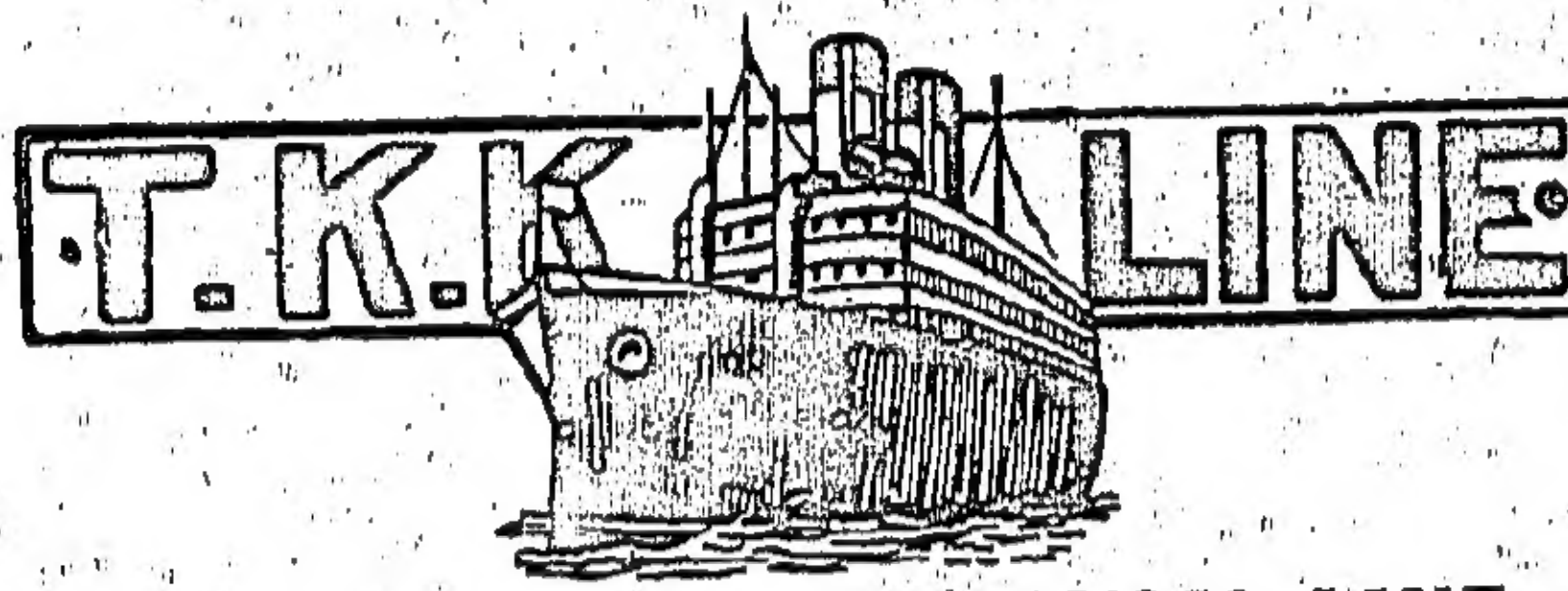
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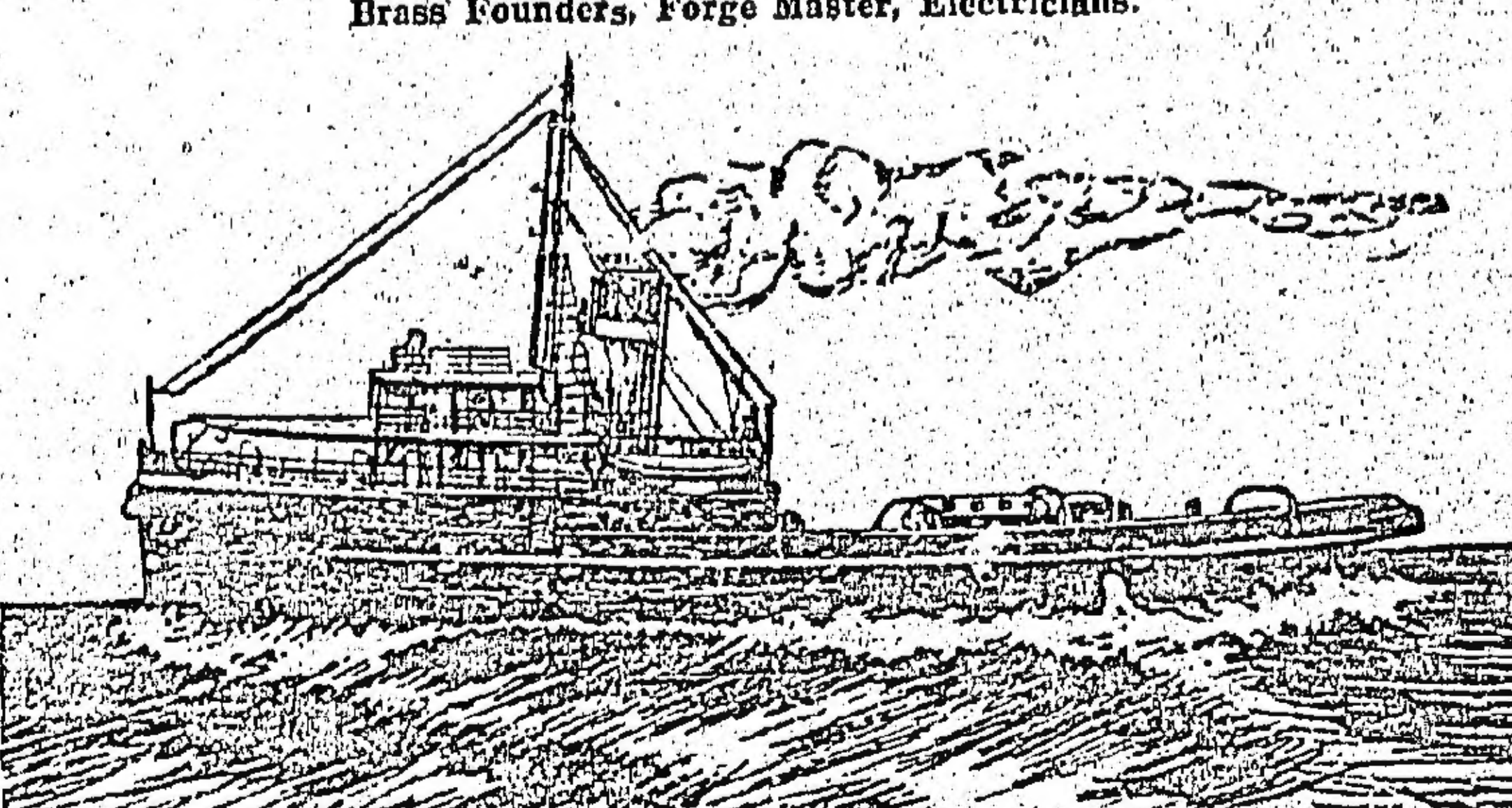
Destination.	Steamer.	Sailings.
SHANGHAI & Swatow	Yusang Sun.	17th May at 7 a.m.
HAIPHONG via Hoihow	Mingsang Sun.	17th May at 8 a.m.
SHANGHAI & Swatow	Wosang Tues.	18th May at 7 a.m.
BANGKOK via Swatow	Chaksang Tues.	19th May at noon.
SANDAKAN	Hinsang Wed.	20th May at noon.
TTAO via S'ow & S'hai	Yntshing Wed.	20th May at 7 a.m.
TIENHSIN	Chipsing Thurs.	21st May at noon.
KOBE via Amoy & Moji	Namsang Fri.	22nd May at 7 a.m.
STRAITS & Calcutta	Lalsang Fri.	22nd May at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI via Swatow	Loksang Fri.	22nd May at 7 a.m.
MANILA	Leesang Sat.	23rd May at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI via Swatow	Tingsang Sun.	24th May at 7 a.m.
BANGKOK via Swatow	Hopsang Tues.	26th May at 10 a.m.
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STRAITS & Calcutta	Kumsang Thurs.	4th June at 3 p.m.

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MOREA	10,911	30th May	Marseilles & London
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JEYPORE	5,318	6th June	Singapore & Bombay
SIOLIA	6,813	11th June	S'pore, P'ang, O'bo & B'bay
KALYAN	9,118	13th June	M'les, L'don, A'werp & Hull
MALWA	10,941	27th June	Marseilles & London
DELTA	8,097	11th July	S'pore, P'ang, O'bo & B'bay
KASHMIR	8,985	11th July	M'les, London & Antwerp
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SOUDAN	6,696	6th Aug.	S'pore, P'ang, O'bo & B'bay
KASHGAR	9,005	8th Aug.	M'les, London & Antwerp
MACEONIA	1,1089	22nd Aug.	Marseilles & London
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NARKUNDA	16,237	5th Sep.	Marseilles & London
KARMALA	9,098	19th Sep.	M'les, London & Antwerp
KHIVA	9,135	3rd Oct.	M'les, London & Antwerp
MALWA	10,941	17th Oct.	Marseilles & London

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TAKIWA	7,336	15 May, 1 p.m.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta
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TAKADA	6,949	4th June	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta

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SIOLIA	6,813	16th May D.L.	Shanghai & Kobe
MALWA	10,941	29th May	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yoko.
ARAFURA	6,000	6th June	Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KASHMIR	8,985	12th June	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
DELTA	8,097	12th June	Shanghai & Kobe
TILAWA	10,066	21st June	Kobe
MANTUA	10,902	26th June	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
ST. ALBANS	4,500	4th July	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yoko.
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GLENSHIEL	25th June.	L'don, R'dam & H'burg via O'ran.	
PENBROKESHIRE	9th July.	C. R'NAVONSHIRE	20th June.
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HAKOZAKI MARU	Saturday, 6th June.
HAMBURG via LONDON & ROTTERDAM & Ports.	
MATSUYE MARU	Monday, 8th June.
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TAJIMA MARU	Friday, 12th June.
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MISHIMA MARU	Wednesday, 20th May at 11 a.m.
TANGO MARU	Wednesday, 24th June.
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RANGOON MARU	Monday, 18th May.
CEYLON MARU	Friday, 29th May.
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.	
MORIOKA MARU	Wednesday, 20th May.
HAKODATE MARU	Saturday, 30th May.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.	
AKI MARU	Thursday, 18th June.
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Consignees of Cargo must produce an Import Permitted by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading will be countersigned.

All broken, chafed & damaged cargo is to be left in the godowns, where it will be examined at 10 a.m. on 13th May, 1925, by the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Anderson and Ashie.

All claims must be presented within thirty days of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognised. No claims will be recognised after the goods have left the godowns, and cargo undelivered on and after 16th May 1925, will be subject to rent.

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Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after Mon. the 18th. instant at noon will be subject to rent and lading charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before Wed., the 20th. May, or they will not be recognized.

All damaged packages will be examined on Saturday, the 16th inst. at 10 a.m. by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

R. RODENFUSER,

Agent.

Hongkong, 11th May 1925.

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May 15d. 11h. 15h.—Pressure
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foo to Shanghai, decreased
considerably over central Japan,
moderately over Tongking and
the Bonins, and slightly
elsewhere.

The anticyclone has passed
into the Pacific, the depression is
crossing Japan in the latitude of
Tokyo, and another depression
has developed over Tongking.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24
hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day,
0.00 inch. Total since January
1st, 22.02 inches, against an
average of 16.16 inches.

**FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS
ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.**

District.	Forecast.
1 Formosa Channel	S. winds, moderate.
2 South coast of China between H.K. & Lamook	S. winds, moderate; fair.
3 H.K. & Lamook	S. winds, moderate; fair.
4 South coast of China between H.K. & Hainan	S. winds, moderate; fair.

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Hongkong, May 15.

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4 m/s.		6 m/s. France	11.25
T/T. Shanghai	2/3 1/8	Demand, New York	54 1/2
T/T. Singapore	Nom.	T/T. Bombay	149 1/2
T/T. Japan	123 1/2	Demand, Bombay	149 1/2
T/T. India	149 1/2	T/T. Calcutta	Nom.
Demand, India		Demand, Calcutta	Nom.
T/T. San Francisco and New York	84 1/2	On Yokohama	120 1/2
Yank	84 1/2	Demand, Manila	96
T/T. Java	135 1/2	Demand, Singapore	135 1/2
T/T. Marks	Nom.	Demand, Batavia	Nom.
T/T. France	10.45	On Haiphong	Nom.
Demand, Paris		On Saigon	Nom.
		On Bangkok	83 1/2
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		Gold leaf per Tael	47.40
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10	@	15 dis.
5	@	30 dis.
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Hongkong May 15 1925.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

Wireless communication has been re-established with Swatow but messages are subject to delay.

INWARD MAILS.		Per	Due.
Shanghai	...	Szechuen	16th May.
Shanghai	...	Kanhow	16th.
Europe via Siberia (London 18th April)	...	Elberfeld	18th.
Straits	...	Kitano M.	19th.
Japan	...	Mishima M.	19th.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan, Shanghai & London via Canada (London 18th April)	...	Empress of Russia	19th.
Manila	...	Pres. Grant	20th.

OUTWARD MAILS.		Per	Date.
Hollow	...	Yue Ying Wa	Sat., 16 inst., 8.30 a.m.
Fort Bayard	...	Hoi Nam	Sat., 16 inst., 9 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles	...	Sardinia	Parcels 15th 5 p.m. Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m. (Due Marseilles 12th June.)
Manila	...	Ajax	Sat., 16 inst., 8.45 a.m.
Hollow	...	Batavia	Sat., 16 inst., 10 a.m.
Saigon	...	Pingal	Sat., 16 inst., 2.30 p.m.
Wohaiwei	...	Nanning	Sat., 16 inst., 2.30 p.m.
Manila	...	West O'Bea	Sat., 16 inst., 3.30 p.m.
Bangkok	...	Escondido	Sat., 16 inst., 4.30 p.m.
Amoy	...	Kiangsu	Sat., 16 inst., 5 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A., O. & S. America & Europe via San Francisco	...	Taiyo M.	Sat., 16 inst., Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m. (Due San Francisco 12th June.) Ship sails on Thurs., 17th inst. at noon.

CORRESPONDENCE.

(To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph.")
Those Eyes!

Sir,—I have been greatly interested in reading in a contemporary of yours that a certain Dr. Russ has discovered an amazing proof that the human eye gives off a magnetic ray powerful enough to affect an instrument and keep it running by merely staring at it. Wonderful! Well I'll say that if the coolies who hang around the lower deck of the ship on which I am employed could be fathered into a sort of power station, enough magnetic ray force would be generated to drive a motor bus, for they are surely past masters in the art of staring.

Only bring out the smallest job from the engine-room and start to work on it, for on some local ships the lower deck and immediate vicinity is often crowded with these magnetic ray fans, and we can get neither daylight nor elbow-room.

Yours etc.

CROSSHEAD.
Hongkong, 14th May, 1925.

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